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RAIL TIMELINE 'NOW AT RISK'

BY CARL JACKSON

THE electrification of the Chase Line is 'at risk' of missing its December 2017 completion date while costs have soared to £100 million.

Network Rail has confirmed that mineshafts underneath parts of the 15-mile stretch of track being upgraded between Rugeley and Walsall has hit the project.

The new came as London Midland issued a plea for passengers not to use their services in the two weeks leading up to Christmas.

The operator's woes on its Chase Line services have come under heavy criticism after Cannock Chase MP Amanda Milling raised the issues of overcrowding in Parliament after experiencing the problems firsthand.

It is hoped, long-term, that the problems will be solved by the electrification of the line. The scheme is scheduled to 'go live' for testing in December next year with the first passenger trains pencilled in for May 2018.

But that timeline is now in jeopardy. Network Rail has installed hundreds of bases along the route for overhead cabling infrastructure but says many have had to be redesigned because of the mines.

Network Rail spokesman Richard Dugdale said: "The challenges and risks we face are the historic mine-workings – the documented ones and the many undocumented mines. The December 2017 completion is at risk."

Closure

He said another stumbling block would be forthcoming work on the overhead electrification equipment interface at Pleck, outside Walsall, which dates back to the 1950s and 1960s.

However, he said, the premature closure of Rugeley Power Station this summer may 'balance out' the problems as there are fewer freight trains using the line.

Delivering an update on the project to Cannock Chase Council members, Mr Dugdale said the cost of the project had now risen to £100m from the most recent figure of £76m. Originally the scheme was quoted as £30m.

Despite the setbacks, substantial progress has been made in the last three years.

Track-lowering work and bridge reconstructions have all been completed.

Bridges including Walkers Rise in Hednesford and the Wyrley & Essington Canal aqueduct have been remodelled, while major schemes in Walsall have been completed, including the bridge reconstruction at Central Drive, Bloxwich, and demolition work at Park Street in the town centre.

Councillors remained positive about the progress of the electrification project overall.

Councillor Christine Martin said: "Even though the cost has gone up, it will be much more valuable to me than HS2 will ever be."

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ICE MAIDEN NEVER TYRES OF TRAINING ON CHASE

Tyring work – Major Sandy Hennis from Cannock uses an old Land Rover tyre for training as she prepares for her Antarctica challenge

AN army major is preparing to take part in a record-breaking attempt to trek across Antarctica – thanks to Cannock Chase and a huge tyre.

Sandy Hennis will trek 1,056 miles (1,700 kilometres) across the ice-covered continent if she can make the final team for the Ice Maiden expedition – the first all-female team to trek across Antarctica.

Major Hennis, aged 35, from Cannock, has been training since September 2015 including dragging a 4x4 tyre around the Chase over the past eight months.

She said: "The team will either be in the regular army or reserves. Originally 250 people applied and now it is down to the final seven. It is quite exciting."

Major Hennis is a Reservist officer with 37 Signal Regiment based in Redditch. She started her Army career as a radio technician before commissioning back into the Royal Signals.

After completing tours of Kosovo, Iraq and Afghanistan she left the Regular Army to join the Reserves in 2014.

Each team member will have to haul 220lb (100kg) sledges carrying equipment in the 70-day challenge so need to practise with tyres, although the major admits she gets a few quizzical looks.

The final selection process will take place during an exercise near the Arctic Circle in February and the dangerous expedition in November.

"The temperatures drop down to minus 40 and winds can reach speeds of 60 to 80 miles per hour," Major Hennis said. "It is a dangerous trek. We will be so remote. If anything goes wrong, we are on our own."

COUNCIL

£1.6m cutbacks on agenda today

COUNCILLORS will today (Thursday) discuss plans which could see CCTV and floral displays continue across Cannock Chase despite cutbacks.

Cannock Chase Council is attempting to draw up proposals which would achieve £1.6 million of savings it needs to implement next year after Rugeley Power Station shut early in May, costing the authority £1m in business rates. A consultation exercise showed 85 per cent of people were opposed to stopping the CCTV service.

The cutbacks will be discussed at a meeting of the council's cabinet.

SERVICES

Church's month of seasonal events

A SERIES of festive events is taking place at Chadsmoor Methodist Church throughout December – including concerts and services.

Bel Canto perform at the Cannock Road church on Saturday, from 7pm. The following day, a carol concert will be held from 6pm.

A 'Welcome Christmas' service is being held on Christmas Eve from 7.15pm, followed by a Christmas Day celebration from 10.30am.

For more details, call 01543 877453.

AMAZON

4,000 extra workers tackle festive rush

MORE than 4,000 extra workers have been taken on at Amazon in Rugeley as production is ramped up for Christmas.

The 700,000 sq ft warehouse will have handled more than a million packages in the run-up to December 25.

General manager Mark Hemming said: "This is the busiest time of the year for us so we have taken on more than 4,000 temporary staff to add to the 1,500 permanent roles we have on site.

"It has also been pleasing that we have created 600 new jobs. We try to have some fun at this time of year."

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Audience to enjoy 'musical brilliance'

Pete Shaw – 'wizardry at the keyboard'

BURNTWOOD Music For All Group will welcome the 'amazing' Pete Shaw for their Christmas show today (Thursday) at 7.30pm.

Having recently celebrated 40 years in showbusiness, Shaw is no stranger to stage or screen.

He has been an extra 'countless times' in the likes of Coronation Street, Emmerdale and Cold Feet.

But it is his amazing wizardry at the keyboard that sets him aside from so many other musicians, group spokesperson Marie Powell said. "Now instrument maker Korg's number one UK artist, he tours with the amazing new PA4X and Kronos instruments," she added.

Charm

"He will be sure to delight the Burntwood crowd with magical numbers from the likes of Michael Buble, Russell Watson, Diana Krall, and Oscar Peterson, with an occasional nod back to the likes of Glenn Miller, Winifred Atwell and the Blackpool Tower Wurlitzer!" Marie added.

"For many years now, he has accompanied his local male voice choir live on TV from the Welsh Eisteddfod, was previously musical director of ITV's Stars In Their Eyes Roadshow and now travels the length and breadth of the country delighting his audiences with a mix of musical brilliance and warm northern charm.

"As ever, the venue is the Burntwood Memorial Institute Hall, in Rugeley Road, tickets are £6.50 and more details are available on 01530 274270."

Charity 'at risk' over hospital's new fees

A CHARITY will be forced to shut down after more than 20 years because of new charges at Cannock Chase Hospital, it has been claimed.

The hospital, run by the Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust, is introducing private hire fees for use of its hydrotherapy pool – often used to treat people with arthritis and rheumatic complaints.

Now the Cannock Chase branch of arthritis charity the National Ankylosing Spondylitis Society (NASS), which has been meeting at the pool for more than 20 years, say they will 'cease to exist'.

The society, which supports people suffering from Ankylosing Spondylitis (AS) – a form of inflammatory arthritis that mainly affects the spine – currently use the pool at cost.

Debbie Cook, NASS chief executive, said: "The way that the branch has been treated, despite the support of the staff and a meeting with a trust representative, is disgraceful.

Regular

"Exercise is the most important thing that anyone with AS can do to help themselves, in effect the hospital are blocking vital treatment for the members of the branch.

"What is even more disturbing is how short-sighted the trust is being; the regular hydrotherapy and physiotherapy actually saves the trust money in the long term as patients are less likely to need to take up clinic time."

Branch chairman Martin Cook said: "These classes are so important to all of us, we've been coming here for years and without them would be in a very bad way. It's not like we are just having a splash around in a pool, this is like taking a pill for us."

The main problems with AS are pain, stiffness, risk of developing permanent disability as in some cases fusion of the spine can occur.

Gwen Nuttall at the trust said: "The hire charge is to pay for the maintenance of the pool itself.

"Every organisation that uses the pool is charged and the fee covers our costs. RWT does not make a profit out of this."

Charity offering bikes for a tenner

Two of the trustees for the charity, left, Richard Lawrence and Russ Taylor

A CANNOCK-BASED cycle charity is looking to promote a healthier way of living for families by offering children's bicycles for as little as £10.

Cycle-R, based in the town's High Green Court shopping centre, is selling the discounted bikes in a bid to get children and adults fit and healthy in 2017.

As well as children's bikes, the charity also offers adult bikes from £35 – helping to encourage all members of the family to take up cycling.

Richard Lawrence, trustee of Cycle-R, said: "We know that getting a bike for Christmas isn't always affordable for some families, so we've made it as easy as possible by offering children's bikes for as little as just £10.

"Even though Christmas presents are becoming more digitally focused, traditional gifts such as bikes still always manage to make the top of the children's wish list.

Helps

"There are some wonderful outdoor spaces in the local area, such as Cannock Chase, so we'd like to encourage children to start cycling and to get active in the new year."

As well as providing low-cost, high-quality bikes to low-income families, the charity also helps youth groups, special needs groups and the long-term unemployed by providing training, qualifications and work experience.

Neil Edginton, of High Green Court, said: "We think this is a great initiative that will no doubt get more children involved in cycling. Cycle-R do a lot for youngsters and families in the local community so we are extremely proud that the charity is based here at High Green Court."

As an added incentive, Cycle-R are also giving away free hi-viz vests to the first 10 purchasers of adults bikes and offer year-round, free bike health safety checks.

Cycle-R is open Monday to Saturday, 9.30am-4.30pm. For more information visit www.cycle-r.org.uk or call 01543 523606.

Midlanders have made me very welcome

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP OF LICHFIELD

SINCE my inauguration as Bishop of Lichfield at the end of September, I have so enjoyed meeting the people of this vast diocese, and visiting churches and communities in such a range of places.

Everywhere I have been, people have been warm and encouraging in their welcome. For me, unlike for Mary, Joseph and Jesus, there certainly has been room at the inn.

The Midlands are what hold our country together, and Midlanders are the best people you can find anywhere: genuine, hardworking, and with a great sense of humour.

We are very different from one another, thank God, and I have had the great privilege of meeting people in very different places.

I have been thinking of that as I live again through the Christmas story at this season – local shepherds, homeless refugees, eastern scholars and Roman officials all have their part to play.

And they all come together in the stable at Bethlehem, just as a huge range of people will be coming together in our churches this Christmas.

There is room for everybody: see www.AChristmasNearYou.org for your local services.

Wherever you are and whatever you are doing, my prayer is that God may bring you joy and hope this Christmas.

The Rt Rev Dr Michael Ipgrave

Council suspends its head of HR

STAFFORDSHIRE County Council's head of Human Resources has been suspended following an investigation.

The council confirmed that Lisa Cartwright, who has been in the role since October 2011, has been suspended.

They said the suspension was a 'neutral act' that would allow for 'further investigations' to take place.

Ian Parry, the council's deputy leader and cabinet member responsible for corporate matters, said: "Following an investigation, the county council's head of HR, Lisa Cartwright, has been suspended. This is a neutral act that protects the employee and any other interested parties so that further investigations can take place.

"It would not be appropriate to make any further comment at this time."

Band in concert

A CANNOCK Church hosts a Christmas concert tomorrow night (Friday). The Staffordshire Band and St Stephen's Singers will perform from 7.30pm. Tickets are £5, available from choir members or by phoning 01543 577348.

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Next step in countryside estates handover

STAFFORDSHIRE County Council is preparing to hold talks with groups and organisations about taking over the management of some of its countryside estates.

More than 60 groups attended two open days in September to find out more about running the sites. Now applications for the tendering process – the formal start to finding the sites' new caretakers – are being taken. Groups have until March 17 to apply.

The county council's countryside estate includes six country parks, nine picnic areas and three disused railway lines. These include 52 acres of land at Wimblebury Road in Cannock, Broad Lane in Essington and a patch in Branston.

Councillor Mark Winnington, cabinet member for economic growth, said: "This is the next step in our project to help find an effective way of running our countryside estates and protecting them for future generations to enjoy.

"From the very start we have said that the estate will remain in the ownership of Staffordshire County Council, but the question has always been how best to manage the diverse country parks, greenways, picnic and other areas for everyone's benefit and enjoyment in an affordable manner.

"We know there are lots of different organisations, groups and businesses out there with the passion, skills and know-how. This is now their opportunity to come forward and submit their tenders to take over the day to day management of some of our sites."

Influential fire boss wins award

THE Chief Fire Officer for Staffordshire has been labelled the 'most influential woman in fire' at a national awards ceremony.

Becci Bryant was honoured for her work in the Excellence in Fire and Emergency Awards 2016 for making a difference to the fire and rescue service . She went head to head against colleagues at the ceremony in London hosted by FIRE Magazine.

Ms Bryant said: "It is a real honour to have won the Most Influential Woman in Fire award. The standard of the other nominees in this category was extremely high.

The service's equality and diversity manager Diane Dunlevey was also shortlisted for the Most Influential Woman in Fire award.

All things vintage at Cracker of a tea

THE Museum of Cannock Chase is hosting a Christmas Cracker Vintage Tea today (Thursday) and tomorrow.

Sittings are 11am-1pm and 2pm-4pm on both days, at £7.50 per person. Book on 01543 877666 or at www.museumofcannockchase.org/events

Follow the Fairy's advice on food waste

The Freezer Fairy – tips

CANNOCK Chase Council is encouraging residents to make the most of their freezer this Christmas.

They are being urged to follow the Food Standards Agency (FSA) Freezer Fairy campaign's tips and advice to have a less wasteful Christmas. While 43 per cent of people feel that buying presents is their main worry, cooking Christmas dinner ranks a close second.

At this time of year, the volume of food being prepared is increased as many people are catering for large groups of friends and relatives. The FSA's campaign focuses on informing people how to use their freezer effectively to help reduce food waste by changing their routine and thinking about what foods can be frozen instead of thrown in the bin.

Each year in the UK, more than seven million tons of food and drink is binned from our homes, most of which could have been eaten or drunk. This waste is said to be costing the average household up to £470 a year. So the FSA Freezer Fairy is asking people to prepare in advance and reduce food waste from leftovers by using the freezer 'like a pause button'.

The FSA says it is safe to freeze food up to the 'use by' date on the packaging.

Councillor Muriel Davis, portfolio leader for health and wellbeing, said: "Cooking for more people than normal can mean having to handle different defrosting and cooking times for food.

"We are supporting the FSA Freezer Fairy campaign and will be sharing their tips and advice on our social media accounts. So why not like our Facebook page 'Cannock Chase Life' or follow us on Twitter @cannockchasedc for interesting and helpful tips and advice this Christmas."

The campaign is also being backed by Lichfield District Council.

Work starts on £3.8m flood defence scheme

A £3.8 MILLION project to protect Rugeley from potential flooding and boost business for the area in the future has begun.

The Rugeley Flood Risk Management scheme will see an embankment built on Hagley playing fields to hold water from Rising Brook during a potential flood.

As well as protecting 114 residential properties and 159 commercial properties, it forms an integral part of Cannock Chase Council's plans to regenerate parts of the town centre.

Bosses from Cannock Chase Council, Staffordshire County Council and the Environment Agency met on Friday to officially mark the beginning of preparation work for the scheme, which is set to last six months.

Environment Agency chief executive James Bevan said: "We're proud to work on the Rugeley flood scheme. It will provide stronger protection for Rugeley's people and more than 250 properties in the town, as well as improving green spaces and habitats for wildlife.

"Our role is to protect people, wildlife and to support sustainable development, which means helping to encourage and promote growth. This collaboration is a great example of that."

Closed

The work is due to be completed in June 2017, dependent on weather conditions.

A skate park on the field will be closed while work is carried out but is set to be reopened upon completion.

Preparation works will continue over the Christmas period, with the construction of the embankment set to start in the new year.

Councillor George Adamson, leader of Cannock Chase Council, said: "It was good to visit the site and meet partner agencies involved.

"This is a really good example of partnership work between different organisations.

"These essential works are an important step for future town centre regeneration for the council and will not only improve the town centre, but will also create new jobs in the area," Councillor Adamson added.

The work is being funded by the Environment Agency, Stoke-on-Trent & Staffordshire Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), and the Trent Regional Flood and Coastal Committee.

LEP chairman David Frost said: "Safeguarding homes and businesses from flooding will play an important part in helping Rugeley's town centre to thrive."

Steve Bull hands over his golden image to Craig Spillard, who bid £2,000 for the photograph at an action at Molineux

Golden moment for fan Craig

WOLVES fan Craig Spillard is now the proud owner of a unique 'golden' portrait of Steve Bull, having splashed out £2,000 at auction.

Mr Spillard, aged 40, said he could not pass up the opportunity to get his hands on the stunning photograph taken to mark 30 years since the marksman signed for Wolves.

The image of Bully covered in gold paint was auctioned off in aid of The Steve Bull Foundation at a dinner at Molineux.

Mr Spillard, from Penkridge, said: "Let's face it, Steve Bull is a hero for every Wolves fan.

"So to get the chance to buy a piece so unique which nobody else will have, I had to have it."

Bully agreed to take part in the unusual shoot with Tim Thursfield, chief photographer of our sister paper the Express & Star, and was delighted with the final image.

Bully, who famously scored 306 goals for the Molineux side, said: "Craig comes to a lot of our charity events, and he always puts his hand in his pockets for the foundation."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Police will monitor cash van deliveries

CASH vans making deliveries to banks and ATMs in Staffordshire will be followed by police over Christmas in an attempt to stamp out attacks.

Staffordshire Police have announced they will be taking part in a national campaign to protect cash in transit and will send officers out to follow vans on deliveries. Sgt Mike Elkin said: "We need to be alert.

"We will be using marked vehicles and uniformed officers to follow the cash vans, and our officers will be very visible while the deliveries are being made," he added.

Work is under way at city centre site

PREPARATION work for a multi-million pound retail, leisure and housing development in Lichfield have started.

Sixteen bore holes were drilled into the ground across the site of the city's 'flagship' Friarsgate development as part of ground investigation work.

Four deep holes were created including one to the side of the multi-storey car park in Birmingham Road, one in the front garden of the house next to the police station in Frog Lane, and two in the grounds of the Tempest Ford garage. A further 12 shallow holes were drilled.

Thieves targeting vehicles in district

THIEVES have been targeting cars and vans in the Hednesford area.

Staffordshire Police say there has been an increase in incidents in the town and warned residents to be on guard. The force has reminded people to be extra careful while leaving their engines running to defrost their windows.

PCSO Emily Sharp said: "Please be vigilant and ensure that you do not leave your vehicle running in the morning to defrost your car."

Pupils collect goods for local food bank

PUPILS from Cannock Chase High School spent a week collecting items to donate to a food bank.

The Rev Peter Hart, from St Luke's Church, blessed the produce before it was sent to Cannock and District Food Bank.The total donations weighed more than 406kg.

Everything collected by the school was matched by The Midcounties Co-operative Food store in Cannock before being distributed to people in need.

Seasonal rambling

CHASE Ramblers will be going on a Christmas Walk from Milford Common this Sunday. Instead of meeting at Hednesford, walkers should gather at Milford Common for a prompt 9.30am start. For further details, contact John by calling 01543 686429. New walkers are welcome.

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THE BEST OF PETER RHODES

WEATHER-forecasting terms. Remind me again. Are dribs and drabs wetter than spits and spots?

THE Government's £10 Christmas bonus arrived in 1.2 million bank accounts this week. If this piffling handout, unchanged since 1972, were scrapped I bet 99 per cent of recipients would not even notice. Yet it would free up tens of millions of pounds which could be spent on nurses and carers for those who really need help. All it takes is political will.

DID you begin losing the will to live as you followed the Supreme Court hearing into Brexit? That's how it is with lawyers. I've covered hundreds of court cases and heard many barristers and judges doing their stuff. You get the impression they are paid by the word. There are honourable exceptions but, as a rule, lawyers simply adore delivering long, intricate screeds punctuated with many sub-clauses and endless references to obscure precedents. There were times, as the dissection of Brexit plumbed depths of mind-screaming intricacy, when the nation would have gladly settled for the judges deciding the future of Brexit by electing one of their number to toss a coin. Heads, we're out.

BANK of England governor Mark Carney says millions of jobs could be lost as a result of automation and robots. This news is greeted as a nightmare. Which is odd because the last time it came around, it was regarded as a dream. In the 1930s, automation promised an end to mankind's drudgery. Columnist, Phil Hickman, once told me the dream of the pre-war years was that people would have to work only a few hours per week "and we'd spend the rest of our time writing poetry and making mandolins and suchlike." It never happened. The Second World War came along and kept everybody busy for six years. The following decades were spent recovering. Today the prospect of jobs being taken by machines fills us with dread. But why? I bet the answer is that the jobs we do today, mostly in warm, clean offices, are far removed from the dirty, back-breaking labour of yore. Work gives us status and colleagues. We don't want it to end. If the age of the robots is coming, we will have to make them our servants, not our masters, and find new ways of keeping ourselves occupied. Anybody want a mandolin?

THIS is hardly a scientific survey but our local corner shop sold 40 books of stamps in a single day, which is apparently outstanding even for the time of year. Could it be that Christmas cards are regaining lost ground? Surely it was only a matter of time before people realised that a multiple-address Xmas email doesn't really hit the spot.

Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star

'Be careful' plea after booze call-outs

WEST Midlands Ambulance Service experienced a large increase in emergency calls over the weekend, with many alcohol-related.

Peter Bowles, a paramedic with the service, said almost 3,500 calls had been made to the service on Saturday by midnight.

And 600 calls were also made in the next four hours up until 4am on Sunday. He asked the public to be careful when drinking this Christmas.

Mr Bowles tweeted: "Almost 3.5k calls to @OFFICIALWMAS by midnight & 600 by 4am! #CCTU felt the pressure but got stuck in.. #knowyourlimit"

He said that more than half of the calls he responded to were 'alcohol-related.' The increase in calls put pressure on the service's City Centre Support Unit, he added. In a video posted to Twitter, in which Mr Bowles was standing outside the unit in Birmingham's Broad Street, he said: "I'm here on Broad Street. Even though it is four o'clock in the morning, it is still quite busy.

"Revellers are making their own way home.

"We have had a big increase in calls tonight. A lot of the calls I have gone to myself, over 50 per cent, have been alcohol-related.

"We would ask you this Christmas: Please, don't have one (drink) that is one too many.

"Look after your friends. Have water, and alternate drinks between water and have some food before you go out as well.

"And enjoy yourselves this Christmas period."

Chief out on the road to inspect potholes

By Carl Jackson

STAFFORDSHIRE'S highways chief is to inspect pothole-ridden roads in Cannock Chase – some of which are said to have had problems for several years.

Earlier this month it was announced that the county council will receive £1.6 million next year to tackle potholes – a £500,000 increase on its funding for this year.

Now the deputy leader of Cannock Chase Council, Gordon Alcott, has called for a substantial investment to repair roads in the district, claiming that some have been ignored for years.

He said: "There are still many, many, many, many potholes that have not been fixed in Cannock Chase despite being reported, and many, many road surfaces that have not been asphalted and left in a bad state for many years, not just weeks. I hope with this extra money that it can be spent in Cannock Chase.

List

"I am keeping my arms, legs and fingers crossed." Earlier this year Councillor Alcott made his point by sitting in the middle of a road, next to one particularly bad pothole.

He confirmed he is to spend half a day with roads chief Mark Deaville, Staffordshire County Council's cabinet member for highways, on a tour of the worst spots in Cannock Chase.

Councillor Alcott added: "He called me up and arranged to go on a site visit around the district.

"We have done this twice before to have a look at potholes after I drew up a list of all of the worst roads.

"Some got done but some have not yet. We are going to spend half a day again going around."

On the back of the Autumn Statement, the Department for Transport confirmed Staffordshire was to get more money in 2017-18 to tackle potholes than anywhere else in the West Midlands and around 30 per more than it had this year.

Great-gran is an inspiration at 87

On the shortlist – Millie Rand, aged 87, from Rugeley with Gymophobics instructor Carrieann Hathaway

A GREAT-GRANDMOTHER who found a new lease of life when she joined a gym could be crowned its most inspirational member.

When Millie Rand moved to Rugeley from Cheshire in January 2014 to be closer to her children, she was 13 stone and struggling with pains around her body.

But the 87-year-old joined Gymophobics in the town months later and has not looked back.

A mobility scooter she bought in preparation for not being able to walk is now under dust sheets after joining the gym last summer. Mrs Rand, of Greenfields Drive, said: "I couldn't walk more than a dozen yards and did worry that I might soon need joint replacements.

In July 2014, I went for an eye test and was told that I must give up driving due to a sight defect. I sold my beloved car and replaced it with a mobility scooter." Since she joined the gym, she is fitter and could be named the gym chain's most inspirational member at a ceremony in Stoke. She had even missed the wedding of one of her granddaughters in the Lake District because she felt down – but that has now been reversed.

"Fifteen months later I weigh 10 stones and 12 pounds," Mrs Rand said.

"I walk everywhere and very occasionally get the bus. I have even been on holiday to Torquay on my own. My family cannot believe the change in me."

Joanna Rigby, who owns the Rugeley gym, said: "She is simply incredible for her age."

Mrs Rand will find out whether she is a winner on January 14.

Decrease in empty shops 'is positive for district'

THE number of vacant town centre units in the Cannock Chase district has dropped, new figures show.

Cannock, Rugeley and Hednesford town centres combined currently have 23 vacant units, which equates to 6.67 per cent, the national average being 10.7 per cent.

The news was included in a report prepared for the district council's better jobs & skills scrutiny committee.

Last month, the council's cabinet reviewed the Town Centre Business Rates Discount Scheme, which encourages businesses to occupy vacant ground-floor premises in the core retail areas of the district's three town centres.

To date, the council has assisted eight businesses in the district through this scheme.

Councillor Diane Todd, portfolio leader for town centre regeneration, said: "I am pleased to see from the performance report that the vacancy rates have dropped since earlier this year. Although we do still have some empty shops in Hednesford, Rugeley and Cannock, our numbers are well below the national average.

"This is really positive news for Cannock Chase, and I hope that implementing schemes like the Town Centre Business Rates Scheme will encourage businesses small and large to move into our town centres.

"We have recently seen the Fashion Factory occupy two units in Cannock Shopping Centre which they have done with assistance through this scheme."

Care home to help combat loneliness

HAMMERWICH Hall Bupa Care Home is inviting older people who would otherwise be alone on Christmas Day to join them for 'food and fun in a warm, friendly atmosphere'.

The home in Burntwood Road, Hammerwich, has partnered with Community Christmas – a charity that believes no elderly person in the UK should be alone on December 25 unless they want to be – to help reduce isolation among local elderly people at a time of year when they can feel particularly lonely.

Home manager Erica Neal said: "I know our residents are looking forward to welcoming some new faces to the table on Christmas Day."

For further information about the day or to book a place, call free on 0808 256 4562.

Fine food and drink goes on the market

A FINE Food & Craft Market will be held in Penkridge on Saturday.

The event at Penkridge Market will be open from 9am to 3.30pm, and admission and parking are free. There will also be two poultry auction sales, on December 20 and 23 at 11am.

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Site 'ideal' for JLR's electric cars plan

WOLVERHAMPTON and Staffordshire would be the 'ideal' place to host Jaguar Land Rover's electric car project, an MP has said.

Gavin Williamson said the region already has the expertise to meet the demand from JLR which wants to create 10,000 jobs by making electric cars and batteries in the West Midlands.

The South Staffordshire MP cited the firm's Engine Manufacturing Centre based at the i54 business park on the Wolverhampton and South Staffordshire border as a major factor in attracting the jobs.

He said he would expect the batteries, also known as the 'power source', to be developed alongside the Ingenium engines at the i54 site, possibly on neighbouring land earmarked for development. It comes after a similar call by Wolverhampton council leader Roger Lawrence.

Mr Williamson said: "If this investment is to go ahead, then I think Staffordshire and Wolverhampton would be a major beneficiary.

"The specialities in this field are consolidated at i54 with the development of JLR's engines, and I think that makes it the ideal place for at least the power source to be developed and manufactured.

"That would bring a large number of jobs to Staffordshire and Wolverhampton and would add considerably to the massive commitment that JLR has already made to this area."

JLR is already doubling the size of its engine factory in the city, where it employs more than 1,000 people.

First aid charity seeks volunteers

A LIFE-SAVING charity group is looking for new volunteer first aiders.

St John Ambulance's Penkridge unit needs new recruits and will train them in order to provide medical assistance at events in Staffordshire.

Area manger Steve Manifold said: "No-one should die because they needed first aid and didn't get it.

"As a first aid volunteer you will be trained to a high standard to provide first aid treatment to patients at events covered by St John Ambulance in the community, at concerts and sports events at local, regional and national level. No previous training is required," he added.

For more information email steve.manifold@sja.org.uk

The deadline for applications is December 20.

Big band to swing by for fundraiser

A FUNDRAISING event featuring Millerstones Big Band takes place at Great Wyrley Sports and Social Club on Saturday from 8 to 10.30pm.

Money raised will go toward buying a defibrillator for the club.

Businesses can learn about beauty spot

Cannock Chase – free training offer

CANNOCK Chase Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) is offering free training to improve customer service and knowledge of the beauty spot.

The Cannock Chase AONB team will be hosting a series of ambassador training sessions in January and February.

The training will be delivered by accredited trainer, Simon Smith from Dancing Bear Enterprises.

He will be helping the groups taking part to learn about the AONB through a mixture of exercises, games and 'bite-size' information. The courses are aimed at Cannock Chase businesses, and any volunteers who work at the AONB.

Training

Anne Walker, assistant AONB officer, said: "Attending one of these courses will offer a fantastic opportunity to meet representatives from other local businesses, improve your knowledge about Cannock Chase AONB, and get a refresher in customer service skills."

The ambassador training sessions are: Intense course on Monday, January 9 from 10am to midday.

Half-day course on Tuesday, January 17 from 9.30am to 1pm.

Intense course on Wednesday, February 8 from 2pm to 4pm.

Half-day course on Thursday, February 16 from 1.30pm to 5pm.

To book a place at any of the sessions, contact Anne Walker by calling 01785 619185 or email anne.walker@staffordshire.gov.uk

Alternatively, contact Simon Smith on 07711 325275 or email simon@dancingbearenterprises.co.uk

'Lack of evidence' to prosecute fly-tippers

FAILING to support prosecutions for fly-tipping 'is becoming more socially acceptable' among residents, a council boss has claimed.

The number of the offences in district is down on previous years but last year Cannock Chase Council prosecuted just one offender.

People are keen to tell the council when they have seen dumped waste, according to environment protection manager Mike Walker.

But the problem lies in them being 'often unwilling to give evidence which would support prosecutions', he added.

Mr Walker made the comments at the council's environment scrutiny meeting where he revealed the district's fly-tipping hotspots.

"We are not getting much information from the general public," he said.

"It is becoming more socially acceptable. It's very much dependent on the public reporting this issue."

Mr Walker told the meeting that there have been 79 reports of fly-tipping this year – 'way down' on the hundreds counted since 2012.

The problem reached a high of 416 incidents in 2014-15 before dropping to 363 in 2015-16.

Tougher

Mr Walker said frequent hotspots in the district include Newlands Lane, Washbrooke Lane, Fishley Lane and Gains Lane in Norton Canes. Stile Cop Road in Rugeley is also a recurring dumping spot, along with Marquis Drive on Cannock Chase and Broadhurst Green in Hednesford.

In an effort to tackle fly-tippers in the summer, the council's cabinet agreed it would hand offenders tougher penalties.

Since that move was passed in July, convicted fly-tippers will be charged a maximum fine of £400. When it was passed, Councillor John Preece, portfolio leader for environment, said: "The new fixed-penalty provision offers a more cost-effective option than prosecuting offenders in court, which can be time consuming and expensive. Fly-tipping is a disgusting anti-social act, and I welcome these changes for the benefit of the district."

The authority also operates a reward scheme, which can see residents who report a fly-tipper given £100 if their evidence leads to a successful prosecution. Witnesses are urged to report fly-tipping online at www.cannockchasedc.gov.uk/do-it-online/ or by calling 01543 462621.

Jane positive as ever at switch-on

Jane Sutton with Councillor Marco Longhi, left, and Walsall NHS Trust chief executive Richard Kirby

STAFF, patients and visitors enjoyed some early seasonal cheer when Christmas tree lights at a hospital were switched on by Jane Sutton, mother of inspirational fundraiser Stephen.

Mrs Sutton joined Walsall's deputy mayor Councillor Marco Longhi and Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust's chief executive Richard Kirby to flick the switch at Walsall Manor. She told the crowd that she would keep her son's legacy going for as long as she could.

Stephen Sutton died in 2014 aged 19 after battling bowel cancer. Known for his popular blogs, he inspired a host of fundraising events and will always be remembered for his positivity and courage.

Mrs Sutton said: "I did the London Marathon, I was part of a tandem skydive helping set a new record for the most tandem parachute jumps and I recently climbed Mount Kilimanjaro. I did so because I made a promise to Stephen – he was such a great driving force."

Stephen's fundraising total for the Teenage Cancer Trust stands at £5.6m.

Stephen Sutton

NEWS IN BRIEF

Decision today on parking plan

SENIOR councillors on Cannock Chase Council will decide today on a plan to change one of its car parks in Hednesford.

The council wants to mark out long and short-stay parking areas in its car park behind the Co-Operative store in Anglesey Street.

Council officers have recommended use of about 66 spaces for long-stay parking and the remaining 100 for short-stay.

A decision on the plan will be made at today's meeting of the council's cabinet.

Hundreds enjoy shopping evening

MORE than 300 people turned out to support Staffordshire Young Farmers Clubs' (YFC) fourth annual Christmas Shopping Evening.

The event, held at The Ingestre Suite at Stafford County Showground, is one of the YFC's major fundraisers of the year. It featured 64 stalls run by traders from throughout the county.

A raffle, with prizes donated by stallholders, was run by Nicki Mason of Barclays Bank which will match fund the amount raised. Proceeds help the organisation to provide support, training and fun competitions.

Volunteers plea for short breaks

THE charity Sense is calling for volunteers to help out with its short breaks programme which it runs for disabled children.

Launching in February, the short breaks will see 30 children and young people experience up to three separate trips away from home over 12 months.

Holiday operations manager Eleanor Coker said: "The holidays take place in locations close to Birmingham." To volunteer, visit www.sense.org.uk or call 02075 200962.

Police dog theme for chief's Christmas card

THE Police and Crime Commissioner for Staffordshire has chosen a police-dog themed Christmas card to highlight a national issue of concern.

The move coincides with a government response to a call to give better protection to police animals injured in the line of duty. MPs agreed to 'explore' what more can be done legally.

Matthew Ellis had called for a change after the Finns Law petition reached more than 122,000 signatures. Visit staffsretiredpolicedogs.org

Force is rated good

STAFFORDSHIRE Police have been rated 'good' for treating communities with fairness and respect. A report by HM Inspectorate of Constabulary said the force ensured its workforce behaves lawfully and ethically and that officers and staff are also treated with fairness and respect.

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IN MY VIEW
with Mark Andrews

Puncture? It wheely should not be so hard

I SUPPOSE it was inevitable, following last week's rant about the disruption caused by pothole repairs, that I would immediately come a cropper by driving over one.

So it came as no surprise that two days later I had a puncture caused by a big pothole in a country lane just around the corner from the roadworks in Seisdon I had been complaining about.

Changing a wheel in the pitch black and driving rain is never pleasant, and it did feel as if this normally quiet road suddenly became a magnet for most of the traffic in Staffordshire.

And why do modern car manufacturers make everything so complicated? At home, I have got a 40-year-old car, with the spare wheel held in place by a nut and bolt. However, in the new car, the spare is held in place by some crane–like contraption featuring a spring-loaded cable and a set of instructions resembling Egyptian hieroglyphics.

Was there really anything wrong with a nut and bolt? If it is a struggle for me, how hard must it be for a distressed old-age pensioner?

And then we come to the wheel-brace. Again, in the not-too-distant past, a wheel-brace was a simple bar with a spanner on the end. Then there are the telescopic ones, which give you a bit more leverage, and that is fine. But this is the first time I have ever seen a self-assembly wheel-brace, in two parts, with yet more unintelligible instructions. Doesn't it say something about the modern world when even a wheel-brace needs assembly instructions?

While struggling to work all this out, a very nice chap called Steve Beard stopped to help. He too was bamboozled by the spare wheel crane, but after a lot of patient studying, he worked it out and the spare was liberated.

The experience taught me a lot about my fellow road users; some also offered to help, others impatiently tweaked their horns. One even complained that Steve's headlights were too bright.

It also taught me that in the quest for ever-greater sophistication, sometimes we solve a problem that never actually existed in the first place.

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WHILE I love to hear from readers, it was with great sadness that I read the letter from a gentleman in Stourbridge whose wife had her purse stolen at the check-out of a well-known retailer.

He points out that the thief was clearly caught on CCTV, but nobody was monitoring it.

I can only say that it is very sad that such things go on in our community, and I hope the footage was handed over to police. And if the police are unable to identify the offender, please email me a picture. I'm sure one of our readers might be able to help.

Arun Barua, aged four, gets an early gift at Old Square, Walsall

Santa at Birches Valley Forest Centre, on Cannock Chase

Sleigh boat to China? Well not quite, it's Dudley Caverns

You'd better watch out, Santa's in town

As the momentum gathers for the big Christmas Countdown, **TOM OAKLEY** looks at where we'll find Santa this year

HO! HO! HO! The countdown to Christmas has started which means Father Christmas is busy getting gifts ready for all the boys and girls on his 'nice' list.

Despite this, Santa always makes time in his busy schedule to visit these same children.

You know how the song goes: He sees you when you're sleeping, he knows when you're awake...

And thankfully he's also conveniently located his grottos across the West Midlands this festive season, so there are plenty of opportunities for you to see the man himself.

In the Black Country, the Dudley Caverns offer something a bit different with their grotto underground. Children are invited to travel by boat along an illuminated journey to see Santa and his elves. There will be carols, hot drinks, mince pies and seasonal entertainment. For details visit www.dudleycanaltrust.org.uk.

Ranging

Elsewhere in the town, families are invited to visit Santa in his grotto set within the Dudley Zoological Gardens. It is open every day up to Christmas from 10am until 3.30pm with prices ranging from £4.50 for children's tickets to £8 for adults.

The Black Country Living Museum is hosting Santa hunts. In Stourbridge, the Bonded Warehouse is offering a boat ride down the canal before visiting Santa's Grotto in the warehouse.

Trips will run on December 17, 18 and 22, with tickets available to book by contacting Heidi Barratt on 01384 395216.

With an allocated time slot to see Santa at the West Midlands Safari Park, you will be greeted by one of his helpful Elves who will show you to the sleigh where you will be magically transported to the North Pole.

The Bonded Warehouse is all set for their Santa boat trips. Pictured as Santa is David Caunt

While Santa's Grotto is a decorated log cabin with it's own Christmas tree, festive fireplace and of course a seat next to Santa himself. It is open everyday up to and including Christmas Eve, with tickets ranging from £5 to £21.

More information is available by visiting www.wmsp.co.uk/santa-safari/

At Sandwell Park Farm you can visit Santa in his grotto, receive a gift and write him a letter as part of Sandwell Council's Christmas in the Valley celebrations.

You will also be given the chance to meet his reindeers and other animals at the farm.

Christmas in the Valley runs until December 24 with extra activities scheduled for weekends.

Sandwell Council's cabinet member for leisure Councillor Richard Marshall said: "This is our first Christmas at the Valley event and we want to make it a great one for kids and families."

Book online at www.sandwell.gov.uk.

In West Bromwich, a grotto will be at New Square Shopping Centre until Christmas Eve. Entry to the grotto is £5 including a gift from Father Christmas.

Old Square Shopping Centre in Walsall also has a grotto open until Christmas Eve. Opening times are subject to change and residents are asked to keep an eye on the centre's Facebook page.

Continuing his tour of the West Midlands, Santa will also visit Cadbury World to spread chocolate, gifts and Christmas cheer.

The chocolatiers will be working as hard as elves to create a Christmas chocolate masterpiece – last year they made a 3.5ft chocolate Santa.

Visit cadburyworld.co.uk/whats-on/winter for more information on dates and times.

Christmas chocolates at Cadbury World

Visitng Santa at West Midland Safari Park

While he is in Birmingham Santa will also visit the grotto at the Bullring Shopping Centre.

In Staffordshire, people are being urged to bring their family along to Santa's Grotto at Birches Valley.

The Grotto is housed in a beautiful log cabin and set in the picturesque surroundings of Cannock Chase.

Santa's real reindeer can be found close by, grazing in their forest enclosure.

All children who visit Santa will receive their very own real Christmas tree sapling to take home and plant, plus a small gift.

Tickets cost £10 per child and adults have free entry to the Grotto with a paying child.

Children under one-year-old with a paying sibling can go in for free as long as they don't want a gift.

The grotto is open this weekend and next but is closed during the week.

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Family's £10k reward to catch Carl's killer

Florist hopes to blossom

Dean Sharpe, of Fleurtations Florist, prepares to tackle the Chelsea Flower Show after his victory at the WorldSkills UK finals

A TALENTED florist who struck gold at the WorldSkills UK finals is now hoping his skills blossom at the Chelsea Flower Show.

Dean Sharpe, aged 32, who owns the Fleurtations Florist shop in Lichfield, took home top prize in the floristry category at the three-day skills show held at the NEC in Birmingham. He now plans to set up another florist business in his home town of Stafford.

Mr Sharpe came up against some of the top florists in the country. He said: "I already have a number of accomplishments under my belt. This was a complete surprise to me, I am still trying to come to terms with what a boost it will be for my career. All these competitions are great experience and broadening my repertoire ready for my future plans to set up a high-end floral studio in Stafford."

The WorldSkills UK competitions run in more than 50 skill areas from construction and engineering through to digital and hospitality.

Mr Sharpe, who will now become an ambassador for the competition, is currently preparing for the heats of the Chelsea Flower Show. He said: "I don't think there is anything else like the WorldSkills competition, it is so intense, nothing can prepare you for it."

THE family of Stafford man Carl Tindall, who died after an alleged attack, have put up a £10,000 reward as they fight for justice.

Mr Tindall, aged 35, from Brocton, suffered head injuries during an incident at an address in Plant Crescent on August 22 last year. Police believe he was taken alive in a car and driven to Cull Avenue, Stafford, where he was left by the side of the road.

Carl Tindall

Mr Tindall died two days later at Royal Stoke University Hospital as a result of his injuries, with his family at his bedside.

Staffordshire Police subsequently arrested four people, who were later cleared of any wrongdoing.

Now, five months on, Mr Tindall's family say they are still 'haunted' by his death and have issued an emotional appeal for information.

A family statement said: "We have appealed before and continue to plead for any information, no matter how seemingly small or trivial, regarding Carl's death.

"We were at Carl's bedside every second while he was in hospital, praying that he would recover. It never crossed our minds that we would be called into a room to be told there was nothing else they could do for him. Our family is haunted every day by the horror of watching Carl take his last breath."

The statement added: "Someone out there has information and knows something that could help us and Carl's friends to come to terms with his death.

"You may think that the small bit of information you have is irrelevant, but this may be the last piece of the jigsaw that may help bring the people to justice."

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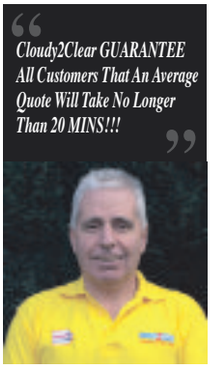

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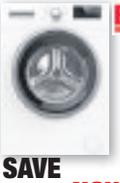

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Less chance of escaping poverty trap

IN response to Mr Allport`s letter ("Answer is more jobs", December 1) his claim that single parents need to be encouraged to work is a statement I would agree with.

But in contrast to what he sees to be fair, I do not. Cutting the welfare cap without putting a cap on private landlords and increasing working tax credits (now UC) will only worsen their already impoverished existence.

Most single parents affected by the new cap are some of the poorest in the country and live in areas where unscrupulous private landlords are charging extortionate rents, and there is no cap on the amount of rent they can charge.

The poverty trap these people are now condemned to gives them little chance of escape. There is a massive shortage of social housing, and not enough affordable homes to move them into.

PAUL WITTON
Cannock

A shining example of community spirit

PLEASE through your newspaper could I express my heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended the Norton Canes Lantern Parade.

I was overwhelmed by the number of people who came along to join with and watch the young people as they walked the streets with beautiful lanterns they designed and made themselves.

May I also thank everyone who helped organise this event, including Paul Dadge who arranged for the Burntwood and District Community First Responders ambulance to the join the parade, the marshals who helped control the traffic, everyone at the Community Centre who provided the refreshments and organised the Christmas fair, Norton Canes Methodist Chapel for the carols, parish councillors who have supported and helped organise the parade over the last three years, and of course Santa Claus who took time out of his busy schedule to come join us at the front of the parade.

Finally, as chairman, on behalf of all Norton Canes parish councillors could I thank our parish clerk, Linda Florence, for all the hard work she has put into ensuring this event has run as smoothly and successfully as possible.

Linda is an asset to this village and our community and I am extremely grateful that she is our clerk. May you all have a Happy Christmas!

COUNCILLOR JOHN PREECE
Chairman of Norton Canes Parish Council and District Councillor for the Norton Canes ward

Residents' group has our welfare at heart

I REFER to a comment made by Walsall's mayor about Coppice Close, Cheslyn Hay, where she grew up ("Reunion revealed at town hall event", December 1).

Back then, Coppice Close was part of the Landywood Estate Residents Welfare Association (LERWA) and still is.

Recently they have run a coach trip to Bath – they run three trips a year, all of which are oversubscribed – and have held a Christmas party for 100 people.

Father Christmas has delivered presents to the homes of all children aged seven and under, and all houses with someone over 60 gets a calendar. On the death of a member, they make a donation to a charity of the family's choice.

They also run a litter-picking team and are at present arranging a 50-years birthday party for next June for LERWA. So you see, the Walsall mayor, who left in 1969, is not in a position to comment about this area.

TREVOR WILLIAMS
Cheslyn hay

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Letters should be brief and MUST include name, address and telephone number. The Editor reserves the right to condense letters.

Generous donation

SINCERE thanks to Councillor Alan Dudson for his generous donation of £200.

The donation will enable us to provide Christmas food hampers for the homeless and people having difficulties struggling to cope, especially at Christmas, in the Cannock Chase area. Many thanks

PEOPLE IN NEED
Beecroft Road Car Park

Play a part in funding the helpline

AS an architect I know how important home is.

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GEORGE CLARKE
Celebrity supporter

Neighbourhood Plan looks at homes issue

IN response to Amanda Bishop's recent letter, she will be pleased to note that the point she has raised is being addressed in the Neighbourhood Plan for Hednesford ("What about downsizers?", December 1).

Whilst it is recognised that there is a need to provide a mix of housing, the Plan identifies the need for building sites to be used for the construction of bungalows, for which there is an increasing demand.

The electors of Hednesford will have a chance to vote on the Neighbourhood Plan after it has been examined by an independent Planning Inspector.

If local people support approval of the Plan, this will influence the type of housing development that we see in Hednesford in the future.

COUNCILLOR BRIAN GAMBLE
Chair, Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

We should have a system where every vote matters

WHEN does it seem two million people can be wrong? In the US, every voter voted for a presidential candidate, not for the state they live in, yet the recent result rendered their effort meaningless. In Britain, where we also need to fully make use of our democracy. It shouldn't be beyond the wit of man or woman to devise a logically fair result where 'every vote matters' should be real.

For every one vote to matter, when a national result is totalled the Boundary Commission should then, though with difficult priorities, apportion adjusted constituencies for new MPs according to the total votes for each party.

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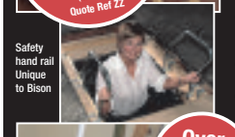
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106 feels no different to 90 says kind Edna

A 'KIND and caring' woman with a love for singing has celebrated her 106th birthday with those closest to her.

Edna Foxall, who was born in Wolverhampton and now lives in Great Wyrley, has reached such an incredible age by choosing to embrace only the positives in life, according to a group of friends who have become so close to her they call themselves family.

Edna has never married and has no children, but has not been short of company due to her kind spirit, love for music and strong Christian beliefs.

Angela Hughes, 71, her husband Terry, 71, and their daughter Shelley, 41, visited Edna on her 106th birthday when staff at the Waters Edge Care Home threw her a party.

Angela said: "Edna is such a lovely woman, and it is great for all of us to see her still in such good health at 106 years old. It is amazing really.

Enjoyed

"I grew up around the corner from her in Foley Street, and she was a good friend of my mother's."

"I always enjoyed going to see her. She would always be singing and baking and just generally being happy, so it was a lovely place for me to go."

Edna worked at Whilds Haberdashery in Wolverhampton from the age of 15 until her retirement, except for a short break to become a post office assistant during the Second World War.

Outside work she performed with various choirs and saw the length and breadth of Britain as a result of performing. She also travelled to various European countries with her brother George and cared for her mother, Lucy and father, George, before they died.

Speaking about reaching 106 years old, Edna said: "I don't feel any different to when I turned 90. I am proud to have reached such a great age."

Edna Foxall celebrates turning 106

Young Edna, centre, aged 15

Schemes lodged with council

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Land at Rugeley Road, Chase Terrace – retention of 14 stables and storage shed.

Montrose, Hospital Road, Burntwood – two-storey extension to side and rear to form garage, utility and kitchen/breakfast/family area at ground-floor level; and form one bedroom and extend two existing bedrooms at first-floor level.

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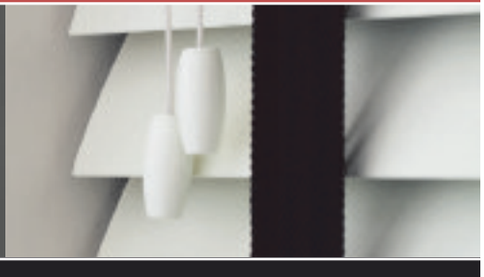

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MP demands updates on closed care home

AN MP has expressed his concerns for the welfare of residents at a nursing home that was abruptly shut down last month.

He says he is keeping in touch with regulators and council bosses to monitor the situation.

Issues were raised at the Sister Dora Care Home in Milford after a visit by Care Quality Commission inspectors who took the decision to remove its registration.

The 32 residents have been moved to homes as far away as Tamworth, Wednesfield and Burton upon Trent.

Relatives were left shocked and angered by the news, with claims that some were informed just hours beforehand.

Now, Jeremy Lefroy, MP for Stafford, has asked to be kept up to date with any developments from operators Indigo Care Services and Staffordshire County Council.

He said: "The main priority here has to be residents and to make sure they are cared for now. I don't think the CQC would have taken this action lightly.

Reasons

"They would have had to have been 100 per cent sure they were doing the right thing, and I am sure they are.

"I want to understand more about the reasons why this decision was taken, and I am in contact with the providers over updates, as well as the CQC.

"From what I understand, improvements were recommended by the CQC ,and they didn't feel they were being met."

The county council stepped in to help families find alternative accommodation for the residents of the privately-run home, which employed 42 staff. The CQC carried out their inspection on November 23.

A spokesman for the home said: "We have been working closely with the local authority and the provider, Indigo Care Services Ltd, with regard to the service to ensure people are found suitable and appropriate care alternatives and will continue to do so. All CQC action is subject to appeal."

Bulbs highlight campaign

Councillor Christine Mitchell and Mike Mellor at Hednesford Park where 10,000 purple crocus bulbs are being planted

CANNOCK Chase Council and local volunteers have been planting the 10,000 bulbs donated to Hednesford Park.

The 10,000 purple crocus bulbs were donated by Cannock Rotary Club thanks to various polio awareness fundraising events.

Rotary's mission is to rid the world of polio, which still exists in parts of Northern Nigeria, Pakistan and Afghanistan. The vibrant purple colour of the flowers represents the indelible purple dye into which children dip their finger to show they have been immunised.

The bulbs are being planted around the park in various locations. Councillor Christine Mitchell, portfolio leader for culture and sport, said: "I can't wait to see the display of purple flowers in the spring, and hopefully it will raise awareness of the Rotary clubs' ambition to rid the world of polio."

Rotary spokesman Mike Mellor said: "Rotary have been supporting the campaign for over 30 years.

"Our club will be at Asda in Cannock between December 16 and 19 so please come and meet Father Christmas and his Rotary helpers and make a donation."

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Creative ladies have go at crafts

Shareshill WI

PRESIDENT Margaret Beddard welcomed everyone to a 'have-a-go' evening.

Since the last meeting members had enjoyed the Heathside Group hosted by Norton Canes, Margaret had attended the Remembrance Service at Church and laid a wreath at the memorial.

Eleven members had an excellent time at Markets Day at Stafford with morning entertainment from singer/comedian Neil Hurst and in the afternoon from Toyah Willcox.

Sadly, due to lack of support it is no longer economical to continue with the WI's craft club.

Secretary Sue Davidson brought everyone up to date with forthcoming events around the county. The Christmas party is on December 15 and will once again be catered for by Em Barker – there will be a prize for the best Christmas decoration.

It was agreed that donations would be made again instead of sending Christmas cards. This year's charity is the Steve Bull Foundation which provides support for local organisations who assist young people, the homeless, the disabled and the sick.

The meeting continued with Ann Legg guiding members through the process of making either a Christmas table decoration or a door wreath. The tables in the hall were covered with greenery of every description and for the next hour everyone was very busy being very creative.

Cracking insight into real Enigma heroes

SI Cannock & District

Alyson Green, Midland Chase region president, Phil Shanahan and president Carole Holdcroft

PRESIDENT Carole Holdcroft welcomed members and guests to the annual International Evening held at the Barns in Huntington.

Speaker Phil Shanahan used pictures to illustrate his talk on the real Enigma heroes, whose brave actions had a major effect on the outcome of the Second World War.

Colin Grazier and Tony Fasson served on board HMS Petard. Their objective was to track down U-boats. On October 30 1942 they had spent 10 hours hunting a U-boat; at night, in the pitch black, they hit it and the U-boat surfaced.

Search lights illuminated it and the German crew were taken on board under guard. Colin, aged 21, and Tony, 29, dived into the sea and swam to the U-boat, along with 16-year-old canteen assistant Tommy Brown.

Between them they captured as much information connected with the naval Enigma as they could. The U-boat went down, taking Colin and Tony to their deaths. Tommy died two years later in a house fire. Their bravery enabled those working at Bletchley Park to crack the coded messages being sent via the naval enigma machines.

Colin and Tony were each posthumously awarded the George Cross for bravery, Tommy was awarded the George Medal.

Oyez – a diverse programme!

Norton Canes WI

NORTON Canes WI has been busy with a diverse and interesting programme of events.

The rambling group joined forces with the Staffordshire Federation for a modest three-mile walk to Denstone, near Alton Village.

There was an interesting trip to the black and white villages in Herefordshire – an excellent example of timbered and half-timbered houses dating back to medieval times.

October speaker John Brooking spoke of his time designing costumes for the theatre and of his nine-years at Alton Towers making character costumes.

Speaker at the group meeting was Lichfield Town Crier Ken Knowles.

For our November meeting, the guest speaker was Alan Lewis who discussed Women at War.

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Care home's ambulance fundraiser

Adam Williams of Midlands Air Ambulance with home staff Kerrie Bishop, Emma Harley and Dawn Whitehouse

A CARE home opened its doors to the public and raised £350 for charity.

Abbey Court Care Home in Heath Way, Heath Hayes, staged fun attractions like hook-a-duck, tombola, face painting and stalls to tempt visitors, including cards and gifts, hair and beauty products, bric-a-brac, sweets, a bottle stall and a resident's handicraft stall.

Local shops donated prizes to a raffle which proved to be very popular.

All proceeds raised on the day went to the Midlands Air Ambulance. Abbey Court is owned and operated by Avery Healthcare, which supports other local air ambulance services throughout its network of homes.

The event attracted not only friends and residents' families but was well supported by the public who enjoyed some home-made hot and cold refreshments.

Abbey Court manager Dawn Whitehouse said: "This was a lovely event, full of laughter and a great opportunity for our residents to mingle with the local community.

"It was also heart-warming to see people's generosity in raising money for such a good cause."

Clinics are on the move as a result of service review

SEXUAL health services in Hednesford and Uttoxeter will be transferring to nearby clinics this month.

The two sexual health services currently available at Hednesford Valley Health Centre in Hednesford and Balance Street Clinic in Uttoxeter will be moving as a result of a service review which identified that having the services in centralised locations would improve user experience at the clinics.

People will be unable to access Contraception and Sexual Health (CASH) services at Hednesford Valley Health Centre after Tuesday, December 20. From Wednesday, the CASH services will be available at Beecroft Clinic at Cannock Chase Hospital on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays or at Springfields Health and Wellbeing Centre, Rugeley, on Thursdays and Fridays.

From Monday, the CASH walk-in-and-wait service at Balance Street Clinic in Uttoxeter will transfer to Cross Street Clinic in Burton-on-Trent, and will run on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

The services are provided by Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent Partnership NHS Trust. For more information on sexual health services in South Staffordshire, call 0300 124 5020 or visit www.sssexualhealth.nhs.uk for up to date information about clinic opening times.

Fulfilling gifts boost pupils' reading skills

Mark Roadway. Mark Hemming, from Amazon, and Beverly Horton with Croft Primary School pupils Matilda Wilts and Freddie Cox, both aged nine, and Henry Clay, six, with some of the Kindles donated to the school

ONLINE retailer Amazon has donated thousands of pounds worth of reading equipment to a Rugeley primary school.

Staff from the fulfilment centre visited Croft Primary School in Armitage to drop off the gifts, which featured 25 Kindle touchscreen devices and a £2,000 gift card to purchase e-books.

The donation was made as part of Amazon in the Community programme supporting local causes. The fulfilment centre's general manager Mark Hemming said: "At Amazon we believe the excitement of reading should be shared by everyone. We are committed to helping inspire the young people in our community to develop their literacy skills and we hope the donation of 25 Kindle devices to this fantastic local school will ignite the love of reading amongst pupils."

Amazon worker Beverley Horton, whose niece attends the school, said: "Making donations of devices to local schools is a great way for us to give back to the community and to see the children's faces light up when they opened the boxes was heart-warming for us all."

Expressing her gratitude, headteacher Joanne Millett said: "The pupils, staff and parents are delighted with the donation of these reading devices which will be a hugely valuable resource at the school."

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Cameras on bin lorries capture bad drivers

A HUNDRED motorists have been caught on camera driving on the pavement to get around bin lorries in the Cannock Chase district alone.

Biffa Waste Management has confirmed that since July last year 100 people had been caught on CCTV cameras in the area.

It added that it reports around 80 incidents a month to Staffordshire Police.

To highlight the issue, the firm has released footage featuring a number of examples of vehicles mounting the pavement in August in order to get by a bin lorry.

Biffa raised the issue with Staffordshire Police last year after becoming fed-up with the actions of motorists – and the Driving Recklessly on Pavements (DROPS) campaign was launched.

Shaun Cadman, Biffa's business manager for its Cannock Chase contract, described the behaviour of the impatient drivers as 'unnecessary, unacceptable and potentially life-threatening'.

Alarming

He said: "The local DROPS campaign was only launched in late July, and in the first three months, we reported around 300 near-misses.

"That's an alarming average of three a day, which is three too many," he added.

"These incidents endanger both Biffa crews and members of the public.

"Luckily, no-one has been struck or injured by a vehicle – yet. Our crews do a dangerous and demanding job, which is made more dangerous by the impatience and aggression shown towards them."

When Biffa workers spot reckless drivers, they pass the footage on to Staffordshire Police. They can potentially be prosecuted for driving without due care and attention.

Drivers caught under the DROPS scheme are first offered a Driving 4 Change education course, which they have to pay £80 for. So far, 60 have completed the course, and 40 are waiting to complete theirs.

Staff's treat for youngsters

Rewarding – Bidvest Foodservice staff with some of the Christmas presents destined for the annual Christmas event at Alton Castle

A CANNOCK company joined with The Andrew Robinson Young People's Trust to bring festive cheer to 150 children from disadvantaged backgrounds, at their annual Christmas event at Alton Castle.

Each December the trust organises a weekend away for the children, who may otherwise not have a Christmas of their own.

Workers at Bidvest Foodservice were involved in helping decorate the venue, buying and wrapping presents, and supplying food for the Christmas dinner. Sales development manager Bob Lennard stepped into the kitchen to cook the big meal. The company's suppliers also donated products for goody bags handed out to each child.

Telesales executive Nicola Holmes said: "It's so rewarding to be a part of an event that instantly puts a smile on each of the children's faces." The weekend also included team building activities, and Christmas games and music.

Maria Bracken, activities coordinator at The Andrew Robinson Young People's Trust, said: "We've been blown away by the support from Bidvest Foodservice Cannock.

"The food, decorations and festive atmosphere were all a huge part of making this weekend incredibly special."

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Gray day as Mo retires

Maureen Gray

STAFF at a Cannock estate agents have bid a Merry Christmas – and a Happy Retirement – to a long-serving colleague.

Maureen Gray has been a key member of the lettings team at Keable Webb, in Avon Road, for 15 years.

Lettings manager Ben Keable said: "Mo has been such a special member of the team, loved by all her colleagues and clients she has worked with over the years."

Chase Line problems worse than ever – MP

CANNOCK Chase MP Amanda Milling has described problems faced by commuters on the Chase Line throughout the autumn as 'worse than ever'.

The Conservative MP raised the on-going issues faced by rail users at Prime Minister's Questions.

Addressing the Commons last week, Ms Milling spoke of her increasing frustration at delayed, cancelled and overcrowded trains which she says are spelling 'misery' for her constituents.

By Simon Stone

London Midland services on the Chase Line, connecting Rugeley, Hednesford and Cannock with Birmingham New Street, are attracting a huge volume of public complaints about overcrowding, insufficient carriage numbers and delayed and cancelled trains. Ms Milling has been pressuring London Midland to address the situation.

Penalise

She outlined at Prime Minister's Questions the misery faced by Chase Line commuters during the autumn, which she says has been even worse this year, and asked what the government was doing to penalise poor performing train operators to ensure rail users get the service they deserved.

Ms Milling said: "The issues faced by commuters on the line were not unexpected. We had the same problems last autumn when there was a seasonal uplift of staff working at the Amazon fulfilment centre in Rugeley.

"What is hugely frustrating is that I called on London Midland and Amazon to address these issues last year and here we are again facing exactly the same problem. In fact the experiences of passengers has been significantly worse this autumn. I met with both London Midland and Amazon earlier this week to put pressure on them to address the problems we are facing now, as well as to make sure plans are in place to ensure we do not find ourselves in this situation again next year."

Delayed or cancelled trains, trains with too few carriages and a seasonal increase in passenger numbers are all causing severe overcrowding, combined with safety concerns, difficulty getting on and off trains, subsequent delays, passengers left stranded at stations and ultimately commuters being late for work and school.

Ms Milling added: "It is simply not good enough. There is a lot of talk about the problems on Southern Rail but the problems passengers face are not exclusive to the south and I wanted to ensure the frustrations of passengers of the Chase Line are being heard. It is important the train operators don't get away with this level of service and are held to account."

The MP has met with London Midland on several occasions and set up a petition calling for the operator to put more carriages on peak time services.

Leader supports calls for better station parking

CAMPAIGNERS calling for improved parking at Rugeley Trent Valley railway station have been backed by a council leader.

Cannock Chase Rail Promotion Group have been demanding a solution to the 'long-standing problems of parking at the station'.

At their recent meeting, Councillor George Adamson, leader of Cannock Chase Council, agreed to add his voice to the campaign.

"The station serves the Cannock Chase area but lies in Lichfield District Council land," Councillor Adamson said. "Boundary situations such as these always give rise to complications," he added but said he looked forward to being able to draw up plans and work with both Lichfield District Council and Staffordshire County Council to enable investment in the station to match the increasing demand.

The group's chair Keith Fitch said: "Good train transport encourages businesses to locate to areas near stations."

● The number of people catching trains in Staffordshire and the Black Country increased by nearly seven per cent in a year. The Office of Rail and Road said Cannock station was visited by 221,124 in 2014-15 and 220,290 over the last year.

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Law review plea over cost of Oak Tree Farm blaze

THE Government has been urged to review laws concerning the illegal dumping of waste in the wake of the fire at Oak Tree Farm. Cannock Chase MP Amanda Milling wants penalties imposed on site operators to cover the cost of the fire service having to respond.

The farm blaze at Slitting Mill involved more than 1,000 tons of illegal waste and took Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service almost three weeks to bring under control, although it is still smouldering. Ms Milling raised the issue with the Fire Minister, Brandon Lewis, during Home Office Questions, citing the weeks of distress which smoke from the fire caused local residents.

She pointed out that the fire service has continued to incur costs as it has had to closely monitor and manage the fire.

Over recent weeks she has been monitoring the stack and has been in regular contact with the fire service when she has seen first-hand, or has had reports of, smoke being emitted from the site.

"The fire caused major distress for local residents and we must do everything we can to ensure incidents like this don't happen again," Ms Milling said.

"Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service have had to spend significant sums of money fighting, containing and capping the fire as well as continuing to monitor and manage the stack.

"These are costs that the operators of illegal waste sites should be liable for, not the taxpayer.

Protect

"I think that everyone who lives in the area and was affected by the fire would agree we need to prevent incidents such as these as well as the cost to the public purse," Ms Milling said.

"I am looking to discuss with ministers how we can change the law to better protect the public and enhance the powers of enforcement agencies."

A High Court interim injunction order was served on Denis Ward and Steven Reeves-Morgan, who had been bringing waste onto the site unlawfully.

The order means they must not bring waste onto the site, not recycle or burn any waste or disturb the waste which is currently burning.

In addition, they cannot remove any waste unless it is being taken to an authorised site.

Any breach of the order could result in a fine, assets being seized or imprisonment.

A full order can be made after a trial, which should take place in early 2017.

Ms Milling added: "I welcome news that Staffordshire County Council have secured a High Court interim injunction order as we need to ensure the site operators are brought to justice.

"But we need to make sure the law is reviewed in order to prevent incidents such as these as well as ensuring the costs incurred by the fire service and other public bodies can be recovered from the perpetrators," she said.

"I will therefore be raising with the Fire Minister the changes required to protect the fire service from such significant costs."

A firefighter damping down at the Slitting Mill blaze *Picture: mepics@live.co.uk*

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Can you stand heat of turkey inferno?

Owner Tony Uddin with floor manager Abdul Jabar

A CANNOCK Indian restaurant is getting into the festive spirit by offering curry fans the chance to try the UK's hottest Christmas dinner – the turkey inferno.

The Dilshad, on Cannock Road, Chadsmoor, is offering customers the opportunity to try the special hot dish throughout December. It is rated twice as hot as police pepper spray at around six million on the scoville scale for heat. Its fumes are so overpowering the chefs have to wear gas masks while they prepare it.

Customers will be asked to sign a special disclaimer to try the Turkey Inferno which uses turkey and an assortment of the hottest chillies in the world. Anyone who finishes it will receive a certificate and T-shirt.

Dilshad owner Tony Uddin said: "We already serve the Dilshad inferno and crocodile inferno. but we wanted to give our customers who love a hot curry a festive treat. It will certainly be the UK's hottest Christmas dinner."

Partner in campaign of cruelty, court told

A VIOLENT and controlling 'bully' led a 'campaign of cruelty' against his partner until she feared for her life, a court heard.

Mitchell Bain, aged 20, of St James Road, Cannock, would not allow his partner Jessica Gospel to wear make-up, decide what clothes to wear, or take a shower or bath during the day.

By Jordan Harris

And he made her send him pictures while he was out of the house to prove she was not going against his commands.

Bain pleaded guilty at Cannock Magistrates Court to three counts of assault on his 'frightened and vulnerable' partner, as well as a charge of engaging in coercive behaviour in an intimate relationship. He had pleaded not guilty on September 21 to the charges but changed his plea when he reappeared in court.

Change

Chris Coughlan, prosecuting, said: "The victim has been terrified of potentially having to give evidence and has had that feeling of his control still hanging over her life while she waited for this case to be brought up.

"The victim and the defendant were a couple who moved in together. Since then he has bullied and controlled her. She had to change her entire way of life. This was a campaign of cruelty that lasted months and months and months.

"In July this year it was taken up another level as he began assaulting her, initially with pushes up the wall. She couldn't defend herself in any situation but the assaults became more violent. She was a frightened and vulnerable woman. The assault which led her to pour it all out to friends and family put her in the hospital."

Mohammed Khan, defending, said: "These are very serious offences, and my client is very aware of that. Over the last few months he has had time to reflect on what he has done and I know that he has done that. He understands the implications of these offences and he knows that custody is an option."

The hearing was adjourned for sentencing today (Thursday) so that the court can obtain a report on Bain, who has no previous offences.

Chief magistrate John McGarva said: "The court needs a report to help it to make the correct decision.

"This is very serious because of the number of offences, the severity of the offences, and the nature of your behaviour."

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Hundreds on the Chase for funds

Members of the various charities who took part wrapped up warm for the start of the walk

MORE than 500 people braved the cold to raise thousands of pounds for good causes last weekend.

They walked together in the picturesque Cannock Chase countryside to support a number of charities.

Proceeds are still being counted but in excess of £16,000 is expected to have been raised at the Charity Winter Walk. Participants were raising money for 12 charities.

The family-friendly trek through the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty saw experienced walkers, families and their dogs taking in a fresh and festive five-mile circuit.

Added attractions included a certificate from Father Christmas and goody bags for children. A total of 520 people took part in the fundraiser. Among the charities represented was Stafford's Katharine House Hospice.

Fundraiser at Katharine House, Lisa Carson, said: "Santa delighted the children, and we even had snow – provided by the snow machine! We would like to thank all those who walked and everyone who gave up their time or donated their services to support such a magical day."

The other charities taking part included A Child of Mine, Age UK Stafford and District, Carers Association Southern Staffordshire, Citizens Advice Staffordshire South West and Holly Road Supportive Care Centre.

Homestart Stafford and District, The Rotary Club of Stafford, Signposts, Stafford and District Bereavement and Loss Support Service, Support Staffordshire and The Donna Louise Children's Hospice were also present.

Money raised will be split between the participating charities. Lisa added: "Anyone who collected sponsorship can return it directly to their chosen charity."

Award for sporting project

A PROJECT aimed at supporting, motivating and inviting females to be physically active has won a top award.

Real Girls took the Community Project of the Year title at the Staffordshire Sports awards.

Delivered by Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles, the Cannock Chase project was supported by Sport England's Sportivate Innovation Fund and has recently targeted female pupils at eight local high schools. Each school joined a 12-week programme of activity, trialling a range of new sports including rugby, golf, boxing and dance, and with sessions linking back to community activities.

Fantastic

Engaging more than 100 pupils, 50 per cent continue to be active in a community-based sport.

Pete Burt, managing director of Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles, said: "The Real Girls project has not only generated increasing levels of physical activity in female participants, but has significantly increased the self-confidence of many of the young people taking part.

"This award is truly deserved and is fantastic recognition of the hard work and commitment of the team involved in the delivery of this project."

The Real Girls project was also shortlisted at the West Midlands Sports Awards at the end of November.

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Call 0121 4540973

Christmas Crafts
Tomorrow,
Sandwell Valley Nature Reserve, West Bromwich, B43 5AG.
Call 0121 357 7395

Christmas storytelling in the house
Tomorrow,
Croome Court, High Green, Worcester, WR8 9DW.
Call 01905 371006

Christmas Ramble
Sun,
Weston Park, Weston-under-Lizard, Shifnal, TF11 8LE.
Call 01952 852100

Solihull Photographic Society – Christmas Knock Out
Tue,
Solihull Women's Institute, B91 3DQ.
Call 07815 165438

Carols and Sunday Lunch
Sun,
Weston Park, Weston-under-Lizard, Shifnal, TF11 8LE.
Call 01952 852100

Christmas Crafts
Sun,
Sandwell Valley Nature Reserve, West Bromwich, B43 5AG.
Call 0121 357 7395

Woodland Father Christmas
Sun,
Clent Hills, B62 0NL.
Call 01562 712 822

Ex Cathedra: Christmas Music by Candlelight
Mon - Wed,
St. Pauls Church, St. Pauls Square, Birmingham, B3 1QZ.
Call 0121 236 7858

Andy Williams Christmas Extravaganza 2016 starring The Osmonds
Thu,
Malvern Theatres, WR14 3HB.
Call 01684 892277

Fred Zeppelin Xmas Bash
Thu, £10 - £12
The Robin 2, Bilston, WV14 7LJ.
Call 01902 401211

ROCK & METAL

Hells Bells – the UK's best AC/DC tribute
Tonight, £8 - £9
The RoadHouse Birmingham, Kings Norton, B30 3DZ.
Call 0121 246 2273

Bowie Experience
Tonight,
Victoria Hall, Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent, ST1 3AD.
Call 0844 871 7649

Status Quo: The Last Night of the Electrics
Tonight,
Barclaycard Arena, Brindleyplace, Birmingham, B1 2AA. Call 0121 780 4141

Dark Side Of The Wall – a tribute to Pink Floyd
Tomorrow, £8 - £10
The RoadHouse Birmingham, Kings Norton, B30 3DZ.
Call 0121 246 2273

Madness
Tomorrow,
Barclaycard Arena, Brindleyplace, Birmingham, B1 2AA. Call 0121 780 4141

Wolftown ft. Tinned Astronaut + others
Tomorrow,
The Slade Rooms, Wolverhampton, WV1 1HP.
Call 01902 552122

The Stones
Tonight,
Theatre on the Steps, Bridgnorth, WV16 4BD. Call 01746 766477

Touchstone – Christmas Bash
Sun, £17.50 - £20
The Robin 2, Bilston, WV14 7LJ.
Call 01902 401211

The Sweet featuring Andy Scott
Mon, £20 - £22.50
The Robin 2, Bilston, WV14 7LJ.
Call 01902 401211

The Hair Rock Experience
Thu, £5
The RoadHouse Birmingham, Kings Norton, B30 3DZ.
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FOLK, COUNTRY & ACOUSTIC

Kit Hawes & Aaron Catlow
Tonight,
SpArC Theatre, Bishops Castle, SY9 5AY.
Call 01588 630321
or 01588 638038

Hollis & Hawkes Live Acoustic Set
Tonight,
Six Eight Kafe, Birmingham, B2 5HG.
Call 0121 448 8089

Traditional Music Session
Sun,
The Prince of Wales Moseley, Birmingham, B13 8EE.
Call 0121 4494198

JAZZ, SOUL, BLUES, MOTOWN & REGGAE

Red Lemon Electric Blues Band
Tonight,
Stourbridge Town Hall, DY8 1YE.
Call 01384 812960

Soul City
Sun, £18
The RoadHouse Birmingham, Kings Norton, B30 3DZ.
Call 0121 246 2273

Urban Intro
Mon - Wed, £5 - £10
The Jam House, Birmingham, B31QU.
Call 0121 200 3030

Jazz Tuesdays
Tue,
Spotted Dog, Digbeth, Birmingham, B12 0NH.
Call 0121 772 3822

Detroit Soul
Thu,
The Jam House, Birmingham, B31QU.
Call 0121 200 3030

POP

Spice Girls Tribute Night at Bel Air Nightclub
Tonight - Thu,
The Belfry Hotel & Resort, Wishaw, Sutton Coldfield, B76 9PR. Call 0844 980 0600

Showaddywaddy
Tomorrow, £20 - £22
The Robin 2, Bilston, WV14 7LJ.
Call 01902 401211

Sunday Classics
Sun,
Spotted Dog, Digbeth, Birmingham, B12 0NH.
Call 0121 772 3822

James Arthur
Wed, 7pm
O2 Institute, Digbeth, Birmingham, B5 6DY.
Call 0121 437 4150

CLASSICAL

Stourport Choral Society
Wed,
Areley Kings Village Hall, Areley Common, Stourport-on-Severn, DY13 0NB.
Call 07939 318973

Katherine Jenkins
Thu, 7pm
Birmingham Symphony Hall, The International Convention Centre, Birmingham, B1 2EA.
Call 0121 780 3333

COMEDY

Ken Dodd – Happiness Show
Victoria Hall, Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent, ST1 3AD.
Call 0844 871 7649

King Kong Comedy Club
Thu,
Gunmakers Arms, Birmingham, B4 6HG.
Call 0121 236 8486

THEATRE

Robin Hood: The Panto
Tonight - tomorrow,
Ludlow Assembly Rooms, SY8 1AZ.
Call 01584 878141

Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
Tonight, £8 - £16
Number 8 Community Arts Centre, Pershore WR10 1BG.
Call 01386 555028

Treasure Island
Tonight - Thu,
Birmingham Repertory Theatre, Library of Birmingham, B1 2EP.
Call 0121 236 4455

Chicago The Musical
Tonight - Thu,
New Alexandra Theatre, Birmingham, B5 4DS.
Call 0844 871 3011

Faulty Towers The Dining Experience
Tonight - tomorrow, £50
Birmingham Repertory Theatre, Library of Birmingham, B1 2EP.
Call 0121 236 4455

A Christmas Carol
Tonight - tomorrow,
The Crescent Theatre, Brindleyplace, Birmingham, B16 8AE.
Call 0121 643 5858

Aladdin
Tonight - tomorrow,
Hall Green Little Theatre, Birmingham, B27 7RY.
Call 0121 707 1874

Robin Rood: The Panto (relaxed performance)
Sun, £5 - £22
Ludlow Assembly Rooms, SY8 1AZ. Call 01584 878141

The Muppet Christmas Carol (film screening)
Sun,
New Alexandra Theatre, Birmingham, B5 4DS.
Call 0844 871 3011

Bolshoi: The Nutcracker
Sun, £11.20 - £13.44
Malvern Theatres, WR14 3HB.
Call 01684 892277

A Christmas Wassail 2016
Sun - Tue,
The Crescent Theatre, Brindleyplace, Birmingham, B16 8AE.
Call 0121 643 5858

Snow White – The World's Biggest Pantomime
Mon - Thu,
Barclaycard Arena, Brindleyplace, Birmingham, B1 2AA.
Call 0121 780 4141

Dick Whittington
Mon - Thu,
Birmingham Hippodrome, B5 4TB.
Call 0844 338 5000

Moscow State Circus
Tue - Thu,
Star City, Birmingham, B7 5SA.
Call 0121 270 4455

ARTS & CULTURE

Furs, Fire and Ice
Tonight,
Dewsall Court, Dewsall, Hereford, HR2 8DA.
Call 01432 276 724

The Roaring 20s Party
Tonight - Sun, Thu,
The International Convention Centre, Birmingham, B1 2EA.
Call 0121 200 2000

Short Introductory Talk: Help & Healing on the Spiritual Path through the teaching of Bruno Groening
Tomorrow, Free
The Polish Millenium Centre, Birmingham, B5 5PH.
Call 0121 643 3577

Cellar Tour
Erasmus Darwin House, Lichfield, WS13 7AD.
Call 01543 306260

Whyley Dance
Tue,
Areley Kings Village Hall, Areley Common, Stourport-on-Severn, DY13 0NB.
Call 07939 318973

Chance to Dance
Thu,
Areley Kings Village Hall, Areley Common, Stourport-on-Severn, DY13 0NB.
Call 07939 318973

EastEnder caught acting bug in Brum

STEVE 'Phil Mitchell' McFadden is a total rat. He's a dirty rat. He's King Rat.

From Monday to January 29 he'll be hamming it up with John Barrowman, comedy duo The Krankies, comedian Matt Slack, Over The Rainbow winner Danielle Hope and I'd Do Anything winner Jodie Prenger in Birmingham's biggest panto.

Audiences can expect plenty of laughs, outrageous costumes, wonderful sets and scenery, and some amazing special effects in Dick Whittington.

"It'll be good fun," he says. "I cut my teeth in panto working with Matt Slack. We're good mates. We hang out together and go for drinks. He's been on EastEnders as well."

Steve, Matt and co have spent several weeks getting the show in shape.

Steve's professional career has mostly centred in London. He hails from Maida Vale, learned how to act at Rada and played EastEnders hardman Phil Mitchell at the BBC's London studios. Birmingham, however, may well have put him on the road to his acting career.

Back in the 1970s he visited the Second City regularly to flog perfume and jewellery as he tried to earn a few bob as a Del Boy-style market trader.

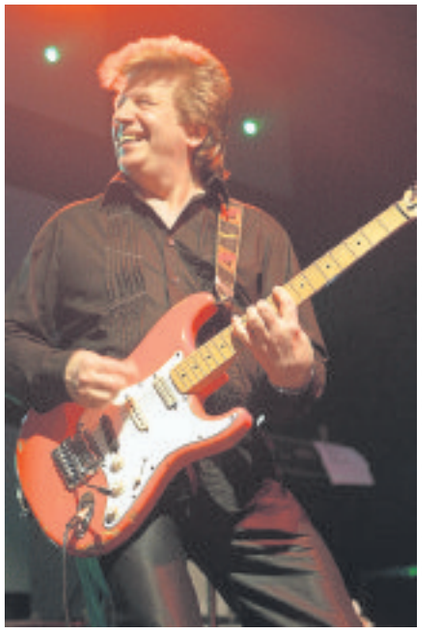
"I used to work with my dad on the walkway to the Bull Ring," he says. "We used to park the old Austin Morris and have a bit of kit in the back. Then we'd do the walkway. I just remember this big wide concourse and we'd sell out every time.

"If it was raining in London we'd come up at the weekend and sell in Birmingham instead. We'd smash it and we'd have a good laugh with the people."

The gear was straight up guv. Honest. And working as an out-of-the-suitcase trader helped turn Steve onto acting.

"We had a bit of a Del Boy thing with my dad and his partner. We'd turn the milk crates upside down and sell off the top. I'd always have a laugh with the Brummies. In many ways, that was my first steps into acting, the first time I was dealing with the public face-to-face. I got confident doing that."

Steve 'Phil Mitchell' McFadden with Hippodrome panto co-star and pal Matt Slack



Sweet 70s memories

BLOCKBUSTER! Hellraiser, Teenage Rampage, Ballroom Blitz... solid gold glam rock 1970s hits that put The Sweet on Top Of The Pops and the cover of teenybopper mags more than 40 years ago.

Sweet are back on the road with original guitarist and co-singer Andy Scott (pictured left), including a gig at Bilston's Robin 2 venue on Monday. Original lead singer Brian Connolly died in 1997. Andy Scott's version of the band features lead vocals from bassist Pete Lincoln, who previously worked with Shakin' Stevens and Sir Cliff Richard. The band also features two former members of melodic hard rock outfit Praying Mantis, keyboards/guitarist Tony O'Hora and drummer Bruce Bisland.

Sweet are also special guests at the Bay City Rollers' Shang-a-Lang-a-Xmas Show at Wolverhampton Civic Hall tonight (Thursday), featuring original Rollers Les McKeown, Alan Longmuir and Stuart Wood.

The Sweet's 70s Black Country rivals Slade, featuring originals Dave Hill and Don Powell, have sold out their 'Ome Town gig at the Robin tomorrow (Friday).

Fans of rock 'n' roll can join 70s hitmakers, Showaddywaddy, at the Robin on Saturday. The retro outfit had ten top five hits – Hey Rock and Roll, Under the Moon of Love, When, You Got What It Takes, Three Steps to Heaven, Heartbeat, I Wonder Why, Dancin' Party, A Little Bit of Soap, and Pretty Little Angel Eyes. Ex-singer Dave Bartram has been the band's manager for 30 years and Andy Pelos took over as lead singer five years ago. The group features original members Romeo Challenger and Rod Deas.

Region's rockers in showcase gigs

CHECK out young bands tipped to break out of the West Midlands scene in 2017 at the showcase gig run by Baddies Boogie at the 02 Institute in Digbeth tomorrow night (Friday).

The five band line up in The Blue Room features Kung Fu Rin Tin Tin plus Brum outfit State, Wolverhampton four-piece Shush, Kidderminster's Plastic Scene and the Black Country's Rebellion.

It's the same night Wolverhampton powerhouse rock trio God Dam have a late finishing gig at the Hare and Hounds pub in Kings Heath. Also on that bill are Johnny Foreigner, Youth Man, False Grails and Matters.

Red hot and blue with the Lemons

RED Lemons Electric Blues Band, one of the top live bands in the Black Country and Brum back in the '80s, have got the band back together for another reunion concert.

Following the success of last year's 30 year reunion shows, the Red Lemons are going to bring their good time R&B and soul back to Stourbridge Town Hall tomorrow night (Friday).

The band fronted by Big Jim Merris has celebrity fans including brief former member Adrian Chiles and Suzi Perry. The gig is on its way to being a sell-out. Tickets cost £22, on 0870 320 7000, or see www.dudley.gov.uk/entertainment website.

Jungle Joel jokes at Slade Rooms

COMEDIAN and actor Joel Dommett will bring his new show to Wolverhampton next year. The runner-up in this year's I'm a Celebrity... Get Me Out of Here, will perform at the Slade Rooms on March 2.

Starting out on the comedy scene in 2007, the 30-year-old has gone onto receive critical acclaim for his Edinburgh Fringe shows and in numerous television shows.

Meanwhile, satirical comedian Andy Zaltman brings his Plan Z to the same Broad Street venue on February 24.

For tickets call 0870 320 7000, or email boxoffice@wolvescivic.co.uk.

CHOICE

Darcey Bussell

Strictly Come Dancing (BBC1, 6.40pm)

Over the past 13 weeks, we've experienced highs, lows and Ed Balls performing a salsa to Gangnam Style, but hopefully Strictly has still got some surprises in store as the remaining celebrity finalists face one last ballroom battle to see who will be lifting the famous trophy. Some viewers pegged Danny Mac as the winner following his impressive week one cha cha cha, but we could be in for an upset as the stars perform three routines– their favourite number from the series, the judges' choice (which in previous years has usually been one the celebrity didn't quite nail to see if they can improve) and the no-holds-barred showdance. There'll also be group number, a performance by Emeli Sande.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** James Martin – Home Comforts at Christmas. (R) **12.00** Football Focus. **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.15** Sports Personality 2016: The Contenders. (R) **2.15** Bargain Hunt. **3.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **4.00** Final Score. **5.30** BBC News. **5.40** Regional Programme. **5.50** Pointless Celebrities.

6.40 Strictly Come Dancing. Tess Daly and Claudia Winkleman host the live grand final, which sees the remaining three celebrities and their partners performing three routines each – a spectacular showdance, a routine from the series chosen by the judges and the one routine they hope will help them lift the glitterball trophy. Len Goodman, Bruno Tonioli, Craig Revel Horwood and Darcey Bussell give their comments and score the performances, but they are for guidance only – the decision as to who waltzes off with this year's title is strictly down to the viewers' vote. Last in the series.

8.55 Michael McIntyre's Big Show. Jack Whitehall joins Michael on stage at London's Theatre Royal on Drury Lane, along with Sting, who performs some of his classic hits, and music from his new album 57th & 9th. Plus, Ricky Gervais's insufferable middle-manager-turned-musician David Brent makes a special appearance. Celebrity chef Jamie Oliver risks the ire of his friends and family as Michael seizes his phone in Send To All, and two people from the same family receive the surprise of their lives in Unexpected Star.

9.55 BBC News; Weather.

10.15 The National Lottery Live. The all-important winning numbers are revealed.

10.25 Match of the Day. Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League matches, including Crystal Palace v Chelsea and West Bromwich Albion v Manchester United; National Lottery Update.

11.45 The NFL Show. Mark Chapman looks at the major stories shaping the NFL world, joined by former Super Bowl winners Osi Umenyiora and Jason Bell.

12.15 Film: Old School. (2003) **1.45** Weather for the Week Ahead. **1.50** BBC News.

BBC2

6.50 Film: Holiday Affair. (1949) **8.15 Film:** The Bishop's Wife. (1947) **10.00** This Farming Life. (R) **11.00** This Farming Life. (R) **12.00** Wild Japan. (R) **1.00** Wild Japan. (R) **2.00** Wild Japan. (R) **3.00 Film:** The Odd Life of Timothy Green. (2012) Fantasy, starring Jennifer Garner. **4.35 Film:** Nativity 2: Danger in the Manger! (2012) Comedy sequel, starring David Tennant.

6.25 Dad's Army. First-ever episode of the classic comedy, in which bank manager George Mainwaring assembles a motley crew of volunteers to protect Britain from Nazi invasion. Arthur Lowe stars.

6.55 Operation Snow Tiger. Part two of two. Cameraman Max Hug Williams follows a tiger to see if she has new cubs, while Liz Bonnin searches for another female that has gone missing. (R)

7.55 Walt Disney – Part Two. Documentary exploring the life, career and legacy of Walt Disney, presenting a portrait of the animator as an ambitious entrepreneur whose masterpieces defined an industry.

8.55 Film: A Christmas Carol. (2009) A foul-tempered Victorian miser who hates the festive season is visited on Christmas Eve by a series of ghosts. The spirits intend to make him mend his wicked ways by showing him visions of the past, present and what the future will hold for him if he does not change for the better. Animated fantasy based on Charles Dickens' novel, featuring motion-captured performances by Jim Carrey and Gary Oldman.

10.25 QI XL. Sandi Toksvig quizzes guests Miles Jupp, Deirdre O'Kane and Phill Jupitus and regular panelist Alan Davies on a series of subjects involving non sequiturs in this extended episode.

11.10 Porridge. Fletch discovers fellow inmates at Slade Prison are planning an escape over Christmas. Festive edition from 1975, with Ronnie Barker. (R)

11.50 The Making of Young Men. Documentary going behind the scenes of BalletBoyz' first feature film, a re-working of the company's hugely successful stage production of the same name that premiered in 2015.

12.20 Balletboyz – Young Men. (R) **1.20 Film:** Chances Are. (1989) **3.05** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids. **6.10** Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids. (R) **6.20** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.35** Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) **6.40** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **7.00** Super 4. (R) **7.15** Oddbods. (R) **7.20** Oddbods. (R) **7.25** Scrambled!: Scrambled! **7.30** Scrambled!: Nerds & Monsters. (R) **7.50** Scrambled!: Horrid Henry. (R) **8.10** Scrambled!: The Powerpuff Girls. (R) **8.30** Scrambled!: Be Cool, Scooby-Doo! **9.05** Scrambled!: Adventure Time. (R) **9.25** ITV News. **9.30 Film:** Carry On Follow That Camel. (1967) Comedy, with Jim Dale. **11.20** Judge Rinder. (R) **12.25** ITV News; Weather. **12.35** This Time Next Year. (R) **1.35 Film:** Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium. (2007) Fantasy comedy, starring Dustin Hoffman and Natalie Portman. **3.20** Thunderbirds Are Go. **3.45** Regional Programme ; Weather.**4.00** ITV News; Weather. **4.15 Film:** The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring. (2001) Fantasy adventure, starring Elijah Wood.

7.30 Film: The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey. (2012) Unassuming hobbit Bilbo Baggins is pulled out of his comfortable life when Gandalf the wizard volunteers him for a dangerous quest. He joins a party of dwarves who are on a mission to reclaim their lost homeland, which has been taken over by a dragon. When the group journeys into the Misty Mountains, Bilbo becomes separated from the dwarves and falls into a cave, where he finds himself confronted by Gollum and forced to play a riddle game. It is set in Middle-earth 60 years before the events of The Lord of the Rings and is the first part of Peter Jackson's fantasy adventure trilogy based on JRR Tolkien's novel, starring Martin Freeman, Ian McKellen, Richard Armitage, James Nesbitt, Ken Stott, Cate Blanchett, Ian Holm and Christopher Lee.

10.40 ITV News; Weather.

10.55 Film: Private Benjamin. (1980) A society widow enlists in the army in the hope of finding a new direction, but comes into conflict with her tough commanding officer. Comedy, with Goldie Hawn and Armand Assante.

12.55 Jackpot247. Viewers get the chance to participate in live interactive gaming from the comfort of their sofas, with a mix of roulette-wheel spins and lively chat from the presenting team. **3.00** ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.10 Three Peaks Yacht Race. **7.05** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **7.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.00** Frasier. (R) **8.30** Frasier. (R) **9.00** The Morning Line. **10.00** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **10.25** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **10.50** The Simpsons. (R) **11.15** The Simpsons. (R) **11.45 Film:** The Dog Who Saved the Holidays. (2012) Premiere. Comedy sequel, starring Shelley Long. **1.30** Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Ascot and Haydock Park. **4.05** The Simpsons. (R) **4.35** The Simpsons. (R) **5.05** Ice Age: A Mammoth Christmas. (R) **5.40 Film:** Arthur Christmas. (2011) Animated comedy, with the voice of James McAvoy.

7.30 Channel 4 News.

8.00 Tree of the Year with Ardal O'Hanlon. The comedian and former Father Ted actor visits some of the UK's most remarkable trees, before revealing the winners of the Woodland Trust's prestigious Tree of the Year awards from a 28-strong shortlist. Each winning specimen from England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales is then put to a panel of experts, who select just one of the four to take the overall title of UK Tree of the Year.

9.00 It Was Alright in the 1970s. Matt Lucas narrates this look at the programmes that flirted with danger during the decade, including Blue Peter, which carried on filming as a fire broke out live on air, while The Fun of the Fair showed teenage girls riding motorcycles through burning hoops. At the same time government-produced public information films petrified viewers with scary scenarios of possible accidents in the home. Contributors include Robin Askwith, Liza Goddard, Oona King, Clive Anderson, Philippa Perry, Samira Ahmed, Ellie Taylor and Angela Barnes.

10.00 Film: Escape Plan. (2013) A security expert is incarcerated after being duped and tries to break out with the help of a fellow convict. Thriller, with Sylvester Stallone and Arnold Schwarzenegger.

12.15 Film: The Guest. (2014) **2.00** Bear's Wild Weekend with Jonathan Ross. (R) **2.50** The Last Leg. (R) **3.45** Hollyoaks. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.15** The Gadget Show. (R) **11.15 Film:** A Cinderella Christmas. (2016) **1.05 Film:** Christmas Cookies. (2016) Premiere. Romantic drama, starring Jill Wagner and Wes Brown. **2.50 Film:** Love Always, Santa. (2016) Premiere. Festive romance, starring Marguerite Moreau. **4.35 Film:** Christmas Under Wraps. (2014) Premiere. Drama, starring Candace Cameron Bure.

6.25 Film: Space Cowboys. (2000) A former Air Force test pilot, who was sidelined from space exploration because of his difficult character, is recruited 40 years later to help America's post-Cold War Russian allies. Teaming up with three fellow veteran airmen, he uses his expertise in navigation to stop a malfunctioning Soviet satellite from crashing to Earth. Adventure, directed by and starring Clint Eastwood. With Tommy Lee Jones, James Garner, Donald Sutherland and James Cromwell. Includes 5 News at 7.25pm. Edited for language.

9.00 Football on 5: The Championship. George Riley and Lynsey Hipgrave introduce highlights from the weekend's games in the Championship, including Burton Albion v Newcastle United at the Pirelli Stadium, Birmingham City v Brighton & Hove Albion at the AMEX Stadium and Blackburn Rovers v Reading at Ewood Park.

10.00 Football on 5: Goal Rush. George Riley and Lynsey Hipgrave introduce all the goals from the weekend's games in the Leagues One and Two, including Scunthorpe United v Millwall.

10.30 The Funny Thing About Christmas. A selection of comedians and celebrities, including Anthea Turner, Vanessa Feltz, Carl Fogarty and Kerry Godliman, discuss everything they love and loathe about the festive season.

11.30 Greatest Ever Christmas Songs. A celebratory compilation of some of the biggest festive songs over the last 50 years, featuring a wide variety of artists including the Pogues, Johnny Mathis and the Darkness.

1.25 SuperCasino. **3.10** All New Traffic Cops. (R) **4.00** The Secret Life of Puppies: Terrible Twos. (R) **4.50** House Doctor. (R) **5.40** Angels of Jarm. (R) **5.50** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Four

7.00 Queen Elizabeth I: A Timewatch Guide **8.00** Last Journey of the Magna Carta King **9.00** Modus **10.30** Top of the Pops: 1982 **11.00** Ultimate Number 1s at the BBC **12.00** Agnetha: Abba and After **1.00** Kings of 70s Romance **2.00** Burt Bacharach: A Life in Song **3.30** Close

ITV2

11.35 Catchphrase Celebrity Special **12.35** You've Been Framed! at Christmas **1.35** Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas **2.35 Film:** Peter Pan (2003) **3.35** FYI Daily **3.40 Film:** Peter Pan (2003) **4.45 Film:** Snow Dogs (2002) **7.00** You've Been Framed! at Christmas **8.00** Scorpion **9.00 Film:** A Very Harold & Kumar Christmas (2011) **10.50** Family Guy **12.15** Mom **12.40** American Dad! **1.10 Film:** Bring It On (2000) **3.00** Teleshopping

ITV3

1.50 Foyle's War **3.50** Midsomer Murders **5.55** Midsomer Murders: Ghosts of Christmas Past **8.00** Doc Martin **9.00** The Booze Cruise III **11.00** Inspector Morse **1.15** Wycliffe **2.10** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

ITV4

12.40 Film: The Great Outdoors (1988) **1.45** FYI Daily **1.50 Film:** The Great Outdoors (1988) **2.30 Film:** Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure (1989) **3.30** FYI Daily **3.35 Film:** Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure (1989) **4.15 Film:** Bill & Ted's Bogus Journey (1991) **5.15** FYI Daily **5.20 Film:** Bill & Ted's Bogus Journey (1991) **6.10 Film:** On Her Majesty's Secret Service (1969) **7.15** FYI Daily **7.20 Film:** On Her Majesty's Secret Service (1969) **9.00 Film:** The Specialist (1994) **10.05** FYI Daily **10.10 Film:** The Specialist (1994) **11.10 Film:** Inside Man (2006) **12.15** FYI Daily **12.20 Film:** Inside Man (2006) **1.50** Hell on Wheels **2.45** Movies Now **2.50** ITV4 Nightscreen **3.00** Teleshopping

E4

11.05 Melissa & Joey **1.00** Black-ish **2.00 Film:** Diary of a Wimpy Kid (2010) **4.00** The Goldbergs **5.30** The Big Bang Theory **9.00 Film:** The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn – Part 1 (2011) **11.20** Gogglebox **1.25** Rude Tube **2.30** The Inbetweeners **3.25** New Girl **5.00** Revenge

Film4

11.00 Black Nativity (2013) **1.00** Step Up (2006) **3.05** Carry On Regardless (1961) **4.55** Chalet Girl (2011) **6.50** Men in Black 3 (2012) **9.00** Bridesmaids (2011) **11.25** Devil's Due (2014) **1.10** Terminator Salvation (2009) **3.30** Close

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CHOICE

Gabby Logan

Sports Personality of the Year 2016
(BBC1, 6.40pm)

Gary Lineker, Clare Balding and Gabby Logan present this year's ceremony live from the Genting Arena in Birmingham. Tennis star Andy Murray was presented the prestigious main award in 2015 and is in contention once again after a stellar year that saw him win Wimbledon, claim his second Olympic gold medal and remarkably overhaul Novak Djokovic to end 2016 as world number one. However, he is likely to face stiff competition from other Rio medallists, such as Mo Farah, Laura Kenny and Alistair Brownlee. The Team of the Year, Lifetime Achievement, Young Sports Personality of the Year and Unsung Hero awards will also be handed out.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **7.40** Match of the Day. (R) **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** Fern Britton Meets Rebecca Ferguson. **11.00** Regional Programme. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.15** Flog It! (R) **2.10** Elizabeth at 90 – A Family Tribute. (R) **3.40** Planet Earth II. (R) **4.40** Songs of Praise. **5.15** BBC News. **5.30** Regional Programme. **5.40** Countryfile.

6.40 Sports Personality of the Year 2016. Gary Lineker, Clare Balding and Gabby Logan present this year's ceremony live from the Genting Arena in Birmingham. Tennis star Andy Murray was presented the prestigious main award in 2015 and is in contention once again after a stellar year that saw him win Wimbledon, claim his second Olympic gold medal and remarkably overhaul Novak Djokovic to end 2016 as world number one.

9.00 The Apprentice. After 11 weeks of challenges that have seen the teams selling sweets, crowdfunding and becoming personal shoppers in a leading department store, the final two battle it out to go into partnership with Alan Sugar. Their final task is to launch their businesses and present their ideas to an audience of industry experts at City Hall, London. But they need assistance, so former contenders return to help each finalist as they come up with brands, devise campaigns and make TV adverts. Will the industry bigwigs like their ideas? And who will have done enough to convince Lord Sugar to pick them as his partner? Last in the series.

10.00 The Apprentice: You're Hired. Rhod Gilbert is joined by the winner, the runner-up and Lord Sugar himself, as the business tycoon reveals the reasons behind his final decision. Last in the series.

11.00 BBC News.

11.20 Regional Programme.

11.30 Walliams & Friend. Meera Syal becomes David Walliams' latest "friend", joining forces with him in a variety of sketches. A number of celebrities also make fleeting appearances. (R)

12.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You. Gary Lineker hosts an extended edition of the satirical quiz. **12.45** Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.50** BBC News.

BBC2

6.20 A to Z of TV Gardening. (R) **7.05** Big Dreams Small Spaces. (R) **8.05** Countryfile. (R) **9.00** Super Powered Owls: Natural World. (R) **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.30** A to Z of Christmas Cooking. (R) **12.15** MOTD2 Extra. **1.00** Tom Kerridge Cooks Christmas. (R) **1.30** Equestrian: Olympia 2016. **4.35** Full Steam Ahead. (R) **5.35 Film:** The Terminal. (2004) An Eastern European en route to America is stranded after a coup in his homeland. Comedy, starring Tom Hanks and Catherine Zeta-Jones.

7.40 Victoria Wood as Seen on TV Special. Comedy sketches written by and starring Victoria Wood, with Julie Walters, Celia Imrie, Duncan Preston and Susie Blake. (R)

8.20 Best of British: Victoria Wood. The comedian and writer looks back on her career in a programme originally broadcast in 1998. She reflects on her childhood in 1960s Lancashire and her long and successful career as a performer. Featuring contributions from regular collaborators Julie Walters and Celia Imrie, and famous fans including Clive James, Thora Hird and Caroline Aherne. (R)

9.00 Victoria Wood's Midlife Christmas. A festive special from 2009 that attempts to cram an entire night's Christmas viewing into 60 minutes. Highlights include the Midlife Olympics 2009, popular costume drama Lark Pies to Cranchesterford and the adventures of soap star Bo Beaumont, played by Victoria's long-time collaborator Julie Walters. Others joining in the fun are Delia Smith, Jayne Torvill, Christopher Dean, Reece Shearsmith and Anton Du Beke. (R)

10.00 Victoria Wood: At it Again. A filmed performance at the Royal Albert Hall, taken from the comedian's 2001 UK tour.

11.30 Film: Last Chance Harvey. (2008) A miserable New Yorker falls for an equally unfulfilled woman he meets while in London to attend his daughter's wedding. Romantic drama, starring Dustin Hoffman and Emma Thompson.

12.55 Sign Zone: Countryfile. (R) **1.50** Holby City. Essie's feelings towards Parker lead her to make a questionable decision. (R) **2.50** This Is BBC Two. Preview of upcoming programmes.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids. **6.10** Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids. (R) **6.20** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.35** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.45** Sooty. (R) **6.55** Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) **7.00** Super 4. (R) **7.15** Oddbods. (R) **7.20** Oddbods. (R) **7.25** Scrambled!: Scrambled! **7.30** Scrambled!: Nerds & Monsters. (R) **7.50** Scrambled!: Horrid Henry. (R) **8.10** Scrambled!: The Powerpuff Girls. (R) **8.30** Scrambled!: Thunderbirds Are Go. **9.05** Scrambled!: Adventure Time. (R) **9.25 Film:** All Stars. (2013) **11.20** Let's Do Christmas with Gino & Mel. (R) **12.15** ITV News; Weather. **12.20** Off Their Rockers. (R) **12.50 Film:** The Incredible Hulk. (2008) Comic-book adventure, starring Edward Norton. **2.55 Film:** National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation. (1989) Comedy, starring Chevy Chase. **4.45 Film:** Santa Claus: The Movie. (1985) Family fantasy adventure, starring Dudley Moore.

6.40 Regional Programme; Weather.

6.50 ITV News; Weather.

7.00 All Star Mr & Mrs Christmas Special. Phillip Schofield hosts a special festive edition of the game show, in which celebrity guest couples reveal how much they know about each other – or not, as the case may be. The contestants are Dominic Brunt (Emmerdale's Paddy Kirk) and his wife Jo, boxer Lennox Lewis and his wife violet and T'Pau singer Carol Decker and her husband Richard.

8.00 Midsomer Murders. Christmas special of the detective drama. The village of Little Auburn has stood abandoned since the Second World War, but now plans are afoot to restore it to its former glory. However, the grand reopening takes a grisly turn when a man is murdered. DCI Barnaby and his new partner DS Jamie Winter are soon on the case, and must unravel a web of lies connecting past and present to bring the killer to justice. Neil Dudgeon stars, with Nick Hendrix making his debut as Barnaby's latest assistant. Guest starring Hugh Dennis and Sally Phillips.

10.00 ITV News; Weather.

10.20 Film: Hot Fuzz. (2007) A zealous policeman is relocated to a sleepy country village. Action comedy, starring Simon Pegg.

12.35 Jackpot247. **3.00** Motorsport UK. **3.50** ITV Nightscreen. **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R)

CHANNEL 4

6.20 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **6.45** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **7.10** Frasier. (R) **7.40** Frasier. (R) **8.05** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **8.35** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **9.00** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **9.30** Sunday Brunch. **12.30** Lewis vs Nico: F1 2016. **2.05 Film:** Inkheart. (2008) Fantasy adventure, starring Brendan Fraser. **4.10** The Snowman. (R) **4.45** Channel 4 News. **5.10 Film:** Cars. (2006) Pixar animated adventure, with the voices of Owen Wilson and Paul Newman.

7.30 Britain's Wildest Weather. Footage of unusual weather conditions recorded in Britain during 2016, and exploring the factors that led to these incidents. The programme features footage recorded by people caught in the middle of floods, super-storms, tornadoes and lightning strikes, as well as a look at how a record level El Niño effect altered Britain's weather.

9.00 Humans. In the aftermath of the silo tragedy, Hester seeks revenge on Leo, while Karen decides she and Sam have no future, and decides to take matters into her own hands. Niska plans to return to Berlin with Astrid, but struggles with the idea of abandoning her family, and Joe makes a shocking confession to Laura. Last in the series.

10.00 Gogglebox. Capturing the households' instant reactions to what they are watching on TV from the comfort of their own sofas. (R)

11.05 Film: About a Boy. (2002) A womaniser who poses as a father to meet single women changes his ways after befriending a lonely youngster. Romantic comedy, with Hugh Grant, Toni Collette and Nicholas Hoult.

12.55 Film: Before I Go to Sleep. (2014) A woman who cannot retain her memories tries to piece together her past, and fears her husband is hiding something from her. Thriller, starring Nicole Kidman and Colin Firth. **2.25** 60 Days in Jail. Jeff pursues a friendship with a duplicitous inmate and ends up in a dangerous situation. Zac receives a visit from his wife and Tami's feud with Barbra continues. (R) **3.20** Kirstie and Phil's Love It or List It. (R) **4.15** Location, Location, Location. Kirstie Allsopp and (R) **5.10** Supershoppers. Claims of huge reductions by high-street discount stores. (R) **5.40** The King of Queens. Doug plans a Valentine's Day meal. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Monkey. **6.05** Bop Box. (R) **6.10** Peppa Pig. (R) **6.15** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **6.25** Bob the Builder. (R) **6.40** Wanda and the Alien. (R) **6.50** Zack and Quack. (R) **7.00** Seaside Antics. (R) **7.05** Fireman Sam. (R) **7.15** Pip Ahoy! (R) **7.30** Little Princess. (R) **7.40** Paw Patrol. (R) **8.00** Blaze and the Monster Machines. (R) **8.25** Noddy in Toyland. (R) **8.40** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.00** Shimmer and Shine. (R) **9.25** Peppa Pig. (R) **9.35** Peppa Pig. (R) **9.45** Jelly Jamm. (R) **10.00** Football on 5: The Championship. (R) **11.00** Football on 5: Goal Rush. (R) **11.30** The Gadget Show. (R) **12.30 Film:** A Perfect Christmas List. (2014) Drama, starring Ellen Hollman. **2.15 Film:** Lost Letter Mysteries for Christmas. (2014) Festive comedy, starring Eric Mabius. **4.00 Film:** The Christmas Miracle of Jonathan Toomey. (2007) Family drama, starring Tom Berenger. **5.45 Film:** Scrooge. (1970) Musical fantasy, starring Albert Finney.

8.00 Michael Buble at Christmas. The Canadian crooner's fifth festive special sees him take to the stage of the Orpheus Theatre in Los Angeles, with guest appearances by Celine Dion, Sharon Jones and the Dap-Kings, and Tori Kelly. The music features classics such as White Christmas, Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas, Jingle Bells, This Christmas and Here Comes Santa Claus. Michael also performs the premiere of his new Christmas song, The More You Give (The More You'll Have). (R)

8.55 5 News Weekend.

9.00 Film: Hercules. (2014) Premiere. The ancient Greek warrior becomes famous as highly exaggerated tales of his exploits spread throughout the land. He is forced to live up to his mythological status when he joins forces with a group of mercenaries to restore a deposed king to his rightful throne. Action adventure, starring Dwayne Johnson, Ian McShane and John Hurt. Includes 5 News at 10pm.

10.55 Film: Snitch. (2013) A man volunteers to become an undercover informant in a drug trafficking operation to save his son from prison. Crime thriller, starring Dwayne Johnson.

1.00 SuperCasino. **3.10** The Yorkshire Vet: Winter on the Moors. (R) **4.00** Now That's Funny! (R) **4.50** House Doctor. (R) **5.40** Angels of Jarm. (R) **5.50** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Four

7.00 Danielle de Niese: The Birth of an Opera **8.00** The Barber of Seville from Glyndebourne **10.45** Lucy Worsley: Mozart's London Odyssey **11.45** Horizon: Solar Storms – The Threat to Planet Earth **12.45** How to Build a Jumbo Jet Engine **1.45** Inside Porton Down: Britain's Secret Weapons Research Facility **2.45** How to Build Britain's Secret Engineers **3.45** Close

ITV2

12.20 You've Been Framed at Christmas! **1.20** The Smurfs: A Christmas Carol **1.45 Film:** Santa Paws 2: The Santa Pups (2012) **3.40 Film:** Mickey's Twice Upon a Christmas (2004) **5.05** Catchphrase Christmas Special **6.05** The X Factor Winner's Story **7.10 Film:** The Amazing Spider-Man (2012) **10.00** Family Guy **11.55** American Dad! **12.55** The Cleveland Show **1.55** Bordertown **2.20** Teleshopping **5.50** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3

11.45 Agatha Christie's Marple **1.45 Film:** Columbo: The Conspirators (1978) **3.45 Film:** Casablanca (1942) **4.45** FYI Daily **4.50 Film:** Casablanca (1942) **5.55** Agatha Christie's Marple **8.00** Meet the Penguins **9.00** Alexander Armstrong's Land of the Midnight Sun **10.00** Wycliffe **11.10 Film:** Wimbledon (2004) **12.10** FYI Daily **12.15 Film:** Wimbledon (2004) **1.05** Lewis **2.55** Wycliffe **3.45** May the Best House Win **5.30** You're Only Young Twice **5.55** ITV3 Nightscreen

ITV4

1.25 Film: Rio Bravo (1959) **4.15 Film:** The Horse Soldiers (1959) **6.40 Film:** Diamonds Are Forever (1971)**9.00 Film:** The Deer Hunter (1978) **10.05** FYI Daily **10.10 Film:** The Deer Hunter (1978) **12.45** Hell on Wheels **1.40** Quincy ME **2.45** Ironside **3.40** Tommy Cooper **4.10** The Wine Show

E4

12.00 Film: Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules (2011) **2.00** Ice Age: A Mammoth Christmas **2.25** The Goldbergs **5.05** The Big Bang Theory **9.00 Film:** The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn – Part 2 (2012) **11.20** Tattoo Fixers **12.25** Gogglebox **1.30** The Inbetweeners **2.35** New Girl **3.45** Hollyoaks

Film4

11.00 Mr Popper's Penguins (2011) **1.00** The Tale of the Princess Kaguya (2013) **3.50** Miracle on 34th Street (1994) **6.05** The Karate Kid (2010) **9.00** Knight and Day (2010) **11.10** August: Osage County (2013) **1.30** Before the Devil Knows You're Dead (2007) **3.50** Close

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PICK OF THE WEEK

FILM CHOICES

MONDAY
A Christmas Reunion, Channel 5, 5.15pm
High-flying executive Amy inherits half of her aunt's bakery, but the catch is the remaining share has been left to her former high-school sweetheart. The pair are reunited in their home town just in time to organise the annual Christmas cookie contest. Romantic drama, starring Denise Richards and Jake Busey. (2015)

TUESDAY
Forgetting Sarah Marshall, ITV, 10.40pm
A musician is devastated when his actress girlfriend leaves him, and he tries to cure his broken heart with a holiday in Hawaii. Unfortunately, his efforts to forget the past are scuppered when his ex turns out to be staying at the same resort with her new boyfriend – a successful rock star – in tow. Romantic comedy, starring Jason Segel and Kristen Bell. (2008)

Saving Mr Banks, Friday, BBC2, 8.30pm

WEDNESDAY
Wanted, ITV, 10.40pm
A disillusioned man learns his father was a member of a secret society of superpowered assassins dedicated to eliminating people who are destined to commit acts of evil in the future. Having inherited his father's special abilities, he is recruited into the organisation and must take on a former member who has betrayed it. Action adventure, starring James McAvoy, Angelina Jolie and Morgan Freeman. (2008)

THURSDAY
Alan Partridge: Alpha Papa, BBC2, 11.05pm
The hapless local radio DJ ends up in the centre of a crisis when a colleague gets fired by the station's new owners, only to respond by returning to the studio with a shotgun and taking hostages. The police enlist Alan's aid as a negotiator, giving him the chance to revive his own flagging public profile. Comedy, starring Steve Coogan and Sean Pertwee. (2013)

FRIDAY
Saving Mr Banks, BBC2, 8.30pm
Premiere. Walt Disney tries to persuade the creator of Mary Poppins to part with the movie rights to her beloved creation. Fact-based drama, with Emma Thompson, Tom Hanks, Paul Giamatti and Colin Farrell. (2013)

Series proves it is far from an amateur affair

They say that roles for people of a certain age are rare, and that if you're an actress over the age of 40, you may as well forget it.

Well, try telling that to Sally Wainwright, the woman behind two of the BBC's biggest drama hits of the last five years – Happy Valley and Last Tango in Halifax.

The former won't be back on our screens for a couple of years, apparently, because Wainwright is so busy working on other projects, but it's provided Sarah Lancashire, who is 52, with arguably the best role of her career, that of gritty policewoman Catherine Cawood.

She also appears in Last Tango and has been Bafta-nominated for both parts (winning for Happy Valley in 2014).

"When you read Sally's scripts, they're not like scripts, they're like transcripts of people's lives and they breathe immediately," says Lancashire of Wainwright's work. "Her words do it for you, you don't have to think about it too much; in fact it's often best to let her writing do it for you. She's just top of her game really."

But Lancashire isn't the only actor to benefit from Wainwright's Last Tango – its leads are portrayed by Anne Reid (81) and Derek Jacobi (78), while Nicola Walker (46) also appears.

If you haven't caught the series by now, what have you been doing? You've certainly been missing a treat – the tale of seventysomething former teenage sweethearts Alan and Celia finding love again after 60 years apart is touching, moving and, at times, hilarious. It's also inspired by Wainwright's own mother who reconnected with an old flame she hadn't seen since she was 15.

It's almost two years since we last caught up with them, and this new, two-part episode picks up where the previous series left off, with Celia's daughter Caroline (Lancashire) still coming to terms with the death of her wife Kate.

Perhaps it's her struggle to cope that inspires Caroline to consider a fresh start away from the Harrogate home she shares with Alan and Celia. Regular viewers will be aware that Caroline bought her ex-husband out of the property with financial help from her mother and stepfather – so where will her decision to move on leave them?

For now, that remains a mystery, and the couple don't seem unduly concerned about their fate either – perhaps because they are too wrapped up in the local amateur dramatics group to notice; Celia's debut in a leading role in Noel Coward's Blithe Spirit seems to be taking all their time, attention and energy.

Meanwhile, somebody should keep an eye on Alan's daughter Gillian. She's a bit of a loose cannon at the best of times, but she seems to be sailing close to the edge as mysterious goings-on in her farm's barn lead her to believe that the past is coming back to haunt her.

The concluding part airs on Tuesday, but there is some good news – a fourth is on its way.

Derek Jacobi stars in Last Tango in Halifax, Monday, BBC1, 9pm

BEST OF THE REST

MONDAY
Sir Lenny Henry – A Life on Screen
BBC2, 9pm
When Lenny Henry won the New Faces talent show in 1975, those watching probably never expected him to go on to be an acclaimed Shakespearean actor and knight of the realm. In fact, we boldly suggest that Henry himself probably thought that such a twist in his life and career seemed highly unlikely. But during his 41 years in the public eye, Sir Lenworth George Henry, to give him his full name, has used his talents in a wide variety of genres, from comedy to drama, to writing and stand-up, not to mention TV presenting, music and, of course, Shakespeare. As a result, Henry fully deserves this tribute to his career, which features clips from various projects, as well as interviews with friends and colleagues, and with the man himself.

TUESDAY
Hilda Ogden's Last Ta-ra – A Tribute to Jean Alexander
ITV, 8pm
She may have moved out of Coronation Street in 1987 after a 23-year stint, but Hilda Ogden remains one of British soap's most iconic characters. So it's only fitting that ITV is paying tribute to the actress who played her, Jean Alexander, who died in October. The documentary features contributions from former colleagues William Roache, Michael Le Vell and Sally Dynevor, who also enjoy watching classic moments in a special recreation of Stan and Hilda Ogden's famous living room. Younger members of the Corrie cast also celebrate Hilda's legacy and famous fans, including Paul O'Grady, provide their own memories.

WEDNESDAY
This Time Next Year
ITV, 8pm
Davina McCall meets Rebecca and Richard Francis from Camarthen in Wales who are hoping to finally be able to extend their family and have a child. After suffering a number of miscarriages and unsure if this is linked to Rebecca's diabetes, the couple are hoping a new treatment method will allow them to finally have the baby they long for. The presenter also meets Luke Reeson who was hoping to make the GB Paralympic swim team and head to Rio. The 27-year-old from Cumbria took up swimming after suffering a gunshot wound to his leg and groin whilst serving in Afghanistan and found a new career path. Will Luke be able to achieve his dream and earn a place on Team GB?

Hilda Ogden's Last Ta-ra – A Tribute to Jean Alexander, Tuesday, ITV, 8pm

THURSDAY
Who Do You Think You Are?
BBC1, 8pm
The Royle Family star Ricky Tomlinson sets out to trace his family tree. The actor is well known for playing the archetypal scouser – and it turns out his Liverpool roots run deep. Ricky discovers that he comes from generations of carters, who transported goods on Liverpool's docks when the city was the British Empire's busiest port. Ricky's rage and sorrow grow as he discovers how dangerous conditions were for his ancestors, eerily echoing his own fight for workers' rights as a trade unionist in the 1970s.

FRIDAY
Strictly Len Goodman
BBC1, 7pm
It's the end of a Strictly era – head judge Len Goodman is hanging up his 'seven' paddle and stepping down from the panel. We'll still get to see him offer his opinions on the Christmas special, but this programme serves as his goodbye as he looks back over his time on Strictly – and seeing as he's been there since the first episode, it also functions as a history of one of Britain's most popular shows. Few people could have guessed when the pro-celebrity ballroom challenge began in 2004 as part of Sport Relief that it would become such a ratings juggernaut, turning the judges and many of the professional dancers into celebrities in their own right. Here, some of the cast members past and present share their memories of the Strictly experience – and Len.

Wild Tales from the Village
BBC2, 7.30pm
Documentary following the animals that live near a remote rural French village, including red squirrels, dormice and stone martens. As the wildlife struggles to survive the winter, they take full advantage of living so close to unsuspecting humans in their search for food, while trying not to be detected.

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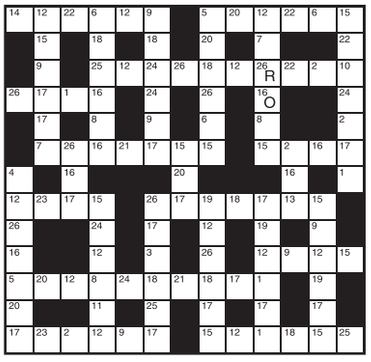

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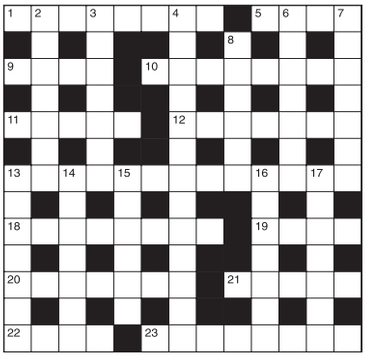

Cryptic Clues:

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1. Helps to define the goal of angry lawyers (8)
5. Pick out the place (4)
9. It turns on an opponent (4)
10. Subdued, having arrived after it's finished (8)
11. Wordy form of gift (5)
12. Horsemen surround a group of attackers (7)
13. Device that should catch on, if handled properly (9,4)
18. Gives information which could head to making an arrest (8)
19. French girl returns if encored (4)
20. Understand and cash in (7)
21. A rash sort of girl (5)
22. The ultimate in saltshakers (4)
23. Living wages? (8)

Down

2. Sounds like a private bitterness that's harboured (7)
3. It's important to one's standing as a rider (7)
4. Meet and strive to make some display (13)
6. One in a seaside feature breaks new ground (7)
7. Crime that no tears can undo (7)
8. Making an attempt to be difficult (6)
13. Not a specific officer (7)
14. Overhead lines (7)
15. Serene number in tartan (6)
16. Ian felt unusually swell (7)
17. Casual worker not on duty (3-4)

Quick Clues:

Across

1. For common use (8)
5. Lave (4)
9. Sharp (4)
10. Pertinent (8)
11. Soothes (5)
12. Building (7)
13. Alluring beauty (13)
18. Upright (8)
19. Pit (4)
20. Income (7)
21. Wrath (5)
22. Sediment (4)
23. Remembered (8)

Down

2. Total (7)
3. Least (7)
4. Retaliation (2,3,3,2,3)
6. Greed (7)
7. Heat (7)
8. Careless (6)
13. Rules (7)
14. Coming (7)
15. East (6)
16. Titular (7)
17. Genuine (7)

Sudoku

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Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Blench; 4 Hither; 9 Keep open house; 10 Natural; 11 Beech; 12 Jiffy; 14 Stare; 18 Amour; 19 Outcast; 21 Regimentation; 22 Tenant; 23 Stages. Down: 1 Baking; 2 Electric organ; 3 Choir; 5 Inhabit; 6 Housebreaking; 7 Re-echo; 8 Bells; 13 Fireman; 15 Carrot; 16 Bound; 17 Stands; 20 Tract.
QUICK - Across: 1 Riddle; 4 Abound; 9 Dispassionate; 10 Clotted; 11 Incur; 12 Ducat; 14 Shame; 18 Erect; 19 Radiant; 21 Premeditation; 22 Resist; 23 Heyday. Down: 1 Reduce; 2 Dissoluteness; 3 Least; 5 Bookish; 6 Unaccompanied; 7 Dreary; 8 Aside; 13 Artless; 15 Helper; 16 Frail; 17 Stingy; 20 Drape.

Thinking space

Quiz

1. How many gallons are there in a bushel?
2. With which composer is the Malvern Festival associated?
3. Who succeeded Robin Cook as Foreign Secretary in 2001?
4. The Lourdes shrine is a shrine to which saint?
5. What is a mandrill?
6. Who won a Victoria Cross for leading the Dam Busters' raid?
7. Which journalist wrote Princess In Love with the assistance of James Hewitt?
8. Of which range do the Tatra Mountains form a part?
9. What was Holy Roman Emperor Frederick I's nickname?
10. In medicine, what does the acronym SIDS stand for?

Last week's solutions:

Quiz: 1 Mitford sisters; 2 Sea lion; 3 Japan; 4 Arnold Wesker; 5 Modulator-demodulator; 6 Uma Thurman; 7 Plato; 8 City of London; 9 Requiescat in pace; 10 St James.

Niner: ATROPHIES

Niner

Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters.

56123 gives an African country,
4382564 gives a Eurasian country,
97365482 gives a Latin American country.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

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The Lowry houses a gallery dedicated to the artist's work and two theatres

Salford Quays in all its night-time splendour

The Imperial War Museum North is a must-see attraction for Quays visitors

The Lowry Outlet mall is popular with shoppers

Nothing to match this Lowry spot as the Quay to brush up on history

SO I saw this fellow in Manchester with a picture frame and asked him where he'd got it. "It fell off the back of a Lowry," he said.

By Mark Shipp

Welcome to Salford, where the artist is key – or should that be quay? – to a great deal of what this corner of the north west has to offer.

Home to MediaCityUK, where 27,000 BBC staff are employed, and where ITV favourites such as Coronation Street are filmed, Salford Quays is a big draw.

An idyllic waterside destination, it boasts entertainment, arts culture, a myriad of places to eat and shop and attracts around seven million visitors a year, bringing in £400m to the local economy.

Located alongside the Manchester Ship Canal, the quays has a gallery dedicated to the work of the painter LS Lowry, who has many pieces depicting the city's industrial landscape. It's a fascinating insight into his life and works, with video footage to boot. Visitors will see that there was more to the artist than his matchstick men figures, with seascapes a particular feature.

The Lowry also houses two theatres and a drama studio. With its 1,730 seats, the Lyric also has the largest stage of any UK theatre outside London. My partner and I were treated to a show at the smaller venue, The Quays, with the terrific Opus 7 combining circus acts with accomplished musicianship.

For our short break, we stayed at the four-star Copthorne Hotel, enjoying its comfortable rooms and views overlooking the quayside. It is ideally located, being less than a mile away from the top tourist attractions, which also include the Imperial War Museum North and the Lowry shopping outlet, housing the likes of M&S, Body Shop and Gap.

Just a short walk across the canal took us to all these major sights. But if football is your thing, you cannot escape the shadow of Old Trafford – home to the Salford lot, as I like to call them.

Rooftop

There, fans can enjoy the Manchester United Museum and tour, while Hotel Football, the world's first soccer-themed hotel is located opposite the stadium and offers matchday hospitality and a rooftop football pitch.

The award-winning Imperial War Museum North is an absolute must, particularly in such a poignant year of the Battle of the Somme's centenary. From a timeline of conflicts, to talks and displays, it provides an important lesson for children, to learn of the sacrifices made and about genuine times of hardship and fighting spirit.

The exhibition, Fashion on the Ration: 1940s street style gave a glimpse at military uniforms and how civilians dressed throughout the decade.

Further sightseeing is on offer with cruises along the canal. And if venturing into Manchester itself, call in at Ziferblat.

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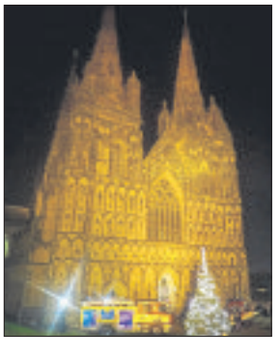
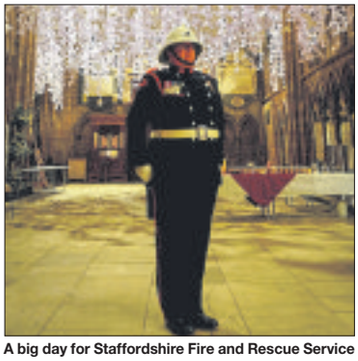


Lichfield Cathedral hosted the event



A big day for Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service

Hundreds of people got into the Christmas spirit at the concert

HUNDREDS of people got into the Christmas spirit at a carol concert.

Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service's annual Family Festival of Carols was once again held in Lichfield Cathedral.

Schoolchildren put on a nativity play after a performance by the Lichfield Cathedral Chamber Choir. Vice-Dean and Canon Dr Anthony Moore presided over the service, which was followed by mince pies and hot drinks.

Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service marketing and communications manager Jude Russell, who organised the event, said: "The Family Festival of Carols was once again a joyous event for everyone who attended.

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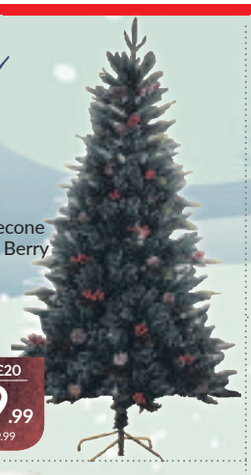

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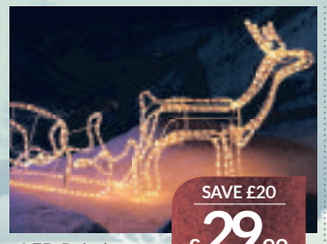

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THREE BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE
Located In Much Sought After Residential Area of The Town

- Reception hall
- Lounge and dining room
- Kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Built-On Garage
- Gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Predominantly double glazed
- EPC rating (F) 38

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CHETWYND, COLEY LANE, LITTLE HAYWOOD

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED INDIVIDUALLY DESIGNED DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCE OFFERING FOUR DOUBLE BEDROOMS OCCUPYING WELL STOCKED PRIVATE GARDENS Located On The Edge of This Popular Staffordshire Village

- Central reception hall
- L shaped lounge/ dining area
- Refitted breakfast kitchen
- Study
- Four double bedrooms
- Refitted shower room with two bathrooms
- Detached double width garage, workshop and store over
- Predominantly double glazed
- Gas fired central heating
- EPC rating E (52)

£500,000 FREEHOLD

19 LOVE LANE PARK HOMES, LOVE LANE, RUGELEY

ATTRACTIVE WELL EQUIPPED ALPINE STYLE CABIN Located on Established park Home Site Adjacant to Canal Two Path and Convenient For Local Facilities

- Open plan lounge & kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Shower room
- For persons Aged 50 and Over
- Part furnished
- Fully double glazed
- Electric heating
- Garden & decked terrace
- Allocated parking
- Viewing recommended

£77,500 LEASEHOLD

4 MIDDLE HILL BARNS, WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, SHARESHILL

WELL APPOINTED DETACHED BARN CONVERSION OFFERING EXCELLENT FLEXIBLE 4 BEDROOMED ACCOMMODATION Located In Rural Poisition In Greenbelt Farmland Within Easy Reach of Facilites at Cannock Centre

- Lounge and dining room
- Fitted breakfast kitchen
- Four bedrooms
- Luxury bathroom and ensuite
- Utility room and cloakroom
- Intruder alarm and CCTV
- Off road parking
- LPG gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- EPC rating D (62)

£439,950 FREEHOLD

16 LISSIMORE DRIVE, TIPTON

TWO BEDROOMED GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT Located In This Popular Residential Area Convenient For Facilities

- Entrance lobby and reception hall
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Communal grounds
- Allocated parking in secure parking area
- Fully double glazed
- Gas fired central heating
- EPC rating C (74)

£80,000

GANLLWYD COTTAGE, PARKSIDE LANE, HATHERTON

NO CHAIN

IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED DETACHED COTTAGE REPUTESDLY DATING FROM THE LATE 18TH CENTURY AND CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED IN THE 1970'S Occupying Well Stocked Grounds Extending to Approx 0.2 Of An Acre Located In Much Sought After Rural Greenbelt Position Close to Cannock Chase

- Lounge and dining room
- Fitted dining kitchen
- Utility Room & cloakroom with WC
- Three double bedrooms
- Family bathroom and ensuite shower room
- Detached double width garage
- Extensive off rooad parking & well stocked gardens
- Oil fired central heating
- Predominantly double glazed
- EPC rating F (37)

£399,950 FREEHOLD

FLAT 4 TEDDESLEY HOUSE, CLAY STREET, PENKRIDGE

WELL EQUIPPED FIRST FLOOR TWO BEDROOMED APARTMENT Conveniently Located For Facilities Of The Centre Of The Popular Market Village Of Penkridge

- Communal hall, stairs and landing
- Reception hall
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Bathroom and en-suite shower room
- Two bedrooms
- Allocated parking space
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- EPC rating C (80)

£152,950

THE BARN, MORETON GRANGE, BISHTON LANE, WOLSELEY BRIDGE, STAFFORD

COMPREHENSIVELY RENOVATED WELL EQUIPPED DETACHED FIVE BEDROOMED BARN CONVERSION Occupying Private Well Stocked Gardens With Stables and Paddock Extending To Approximately 1 Acre

- Lounge and dining room
- Study/sitting area
- Farmhouse dining kitchen
- Five bedrooms
- Two en-suites and family bathroom
- Detached double width garage
- Well stocked gardens and paddock
- Oil fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- EPC rating E (50)

£635,000 FREEHOLD

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UNDER APPLICATION

WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT
Convenient For Cannock Town Centre

- Reception hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Allocated parking space
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: tbc

£495 pcm

3 OAKDENE CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE

- Cloakroom with WC
- Lounge
- Dining kitchen
- Four bedrooms
- En-suite shower room & family bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Integral garage
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: C (77)

£895 pcm

34 CHASELEY AVENUE, CANNOCK

UNDER APPLICATION

SPACIOUS THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Cul-de-sac In Sought After Shoal Hill Area

- Lounge
- Dining room
- Kitchen
- Utility room
- Three bedrooms
- Shower room
- Built-on garage
- Off road parking
- Sorry no DSS, smokers or pets allowed
- EPC rating: C (69)

£600 pcm

BEAUMONT HOUSE, 3 MARTIN GROVE, HILTON LANE, GREAT WYRLEY

LOCATED IN POPULAR AREA WITHIN AN EXCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT

- Cloakroom with WC
- Sitting room & dining room
- Study & family room
- Kitchen & utility room
- Five bedrooms
- Three en-suites
- Family bathroom
- Gas central heating & fully double glazed
- Gardens & double garage
- EPC rating: C (76)

£1350pcm

17 PILLATON DRIVE, HUNTINGTON

DETACHED THREE BEDROOM HOUSE
Located In Popular Cul-de-sac

- Lounge/dining room
- Kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- En-suite shower room
- Family bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS allowed
- EPC rating: D (64)

£745 pcm

44 ROWLEY CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Adjoining Cannock Chase To The Rear

- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Separate WC
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- DSS considered
- Sorry no pets or smokers
- EPC rating: G (15)

£120pw

22 ROWLEY CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

REFURBISHED THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE

- Lounge
- Breakfast kitchen
- Utility room
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom & separate WC
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Gardens
- Sorry no pets or smokers
- EPC rating: D (62)

£525 pcm

6 LOVE LANE PARK HOMES, LOVE LANE, RUGELEY

NEWLY REFURBISHED ONE BEDROOM PARK HOME SITUATED IN WELL MAINTAINED PARK HOME DEVELOPMENT
Convenient For Facilities Locally

- Open plan lounge/kitchen
- Shower room
- Bedroom
- Off road parking
- Gardens & decked terrace
- LPG central heating
- Fully double glazed
- For persons aged 50 and over
- Sorry No DSS, pets or smokers

£435.00 pcm

2 DAIRY COTTAGE, TEDDESLEY PARK ESTATE, PENKRIDGE

A UNIQUE GRADE II LISTED TWO BEDROOM BARN CONVERSION
Located On The Picturesque Estate of Teddesley Park

- Entrance lobby
- Lounge & dining room
- Kitchen
- Utility room & cloakroom with WC
- Two bedrooms
- Shower room
- Oil fired central heating
- Communal parking & gardens
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating tbc

£600pcm

4 LANCASTER HOUSE, HEATH HAYES

ONE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT

- Entrance lobby
- Open plan lounge/kitchen
- Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Electric heating
- All windows double glazed
- Sorry No smokers or pets
- DSS considered
- EPC rating C (76)

£395 pcm

2 TEDDESLEY HOUSE, CLAY STREET, PENKRIDGE

WELL EQUIPPED GROUND FLOOR TWO BEDROOMED APARTMENT
Conveniently Located For Facilities Of The Centre Of The Popular Market Village of Penkridge

- Communal hall, stairs & landing
- Reception hall
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Ensuite shower room & bathroom
- Allocated parking space
- Gas fired central heating & fully double glazed
- Intruder alarm & Security phone system
- EPC rating C (74)

£575pcm

45 LONG LANE, NEWTOWN

REFURBISHED SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOMED DETACHED BUNGALOWLocated In Sought After Area With Farmland To Rear

- Lounge
- Refitted kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom
- Separate WC
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Large gardens
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: D (66)

£825 pcm

64 SWEETBRIAR WAY, HEATH HAYES

UNDER APPLICATION

REFURBISHED SPACIOUS THREE BEDROOM MID MEWS HOUSE
Located In Sought After Residential Area

- Lounge
- Dining kitchen
- UPVC double glazed conservatory
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Off road parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: C (73)

£675pcm

20 LOVE LANE PARK HOMES, LOVE LANE, RUGELEY

NEWLY REFURBISHED ONE BEDROOM PARK HOME SITUATED IN WELL MAINTAINED DEVELOPMENT
Convenient For local Facilities

- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Double bedrooms
- Shower room
- LPG central heating & fully double glazed
- Garden/decked terrace
- Secure parking
- For persons agred 50 and over
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS

£480pcm

195A CANNOCK ROAD, CHADSMOOR

REFURBISHED TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT

- Entrance lobby
- Hall
- Lounge/kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Refitted shower room
- Double glazed
- Electric heating
- Off road parking
- Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS allowed
- EPC rating: F (32)

£395pcm

12 BIRCH TREE LANE, PEAR TREE ESTATE, RUGELEY

REFURBISHED THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE

- Reception hall
- Two reception rooms
- Refitted kitchen
- Utility room and cloakroom
- Three bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating D (61)

£550 pcm

45 NORTON TERRACE, NORTON CANES

DECEPTIVELY SPACIOUS WELL PRESENTED ONE BEDROOM MID TOWN HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area

- Lounge
- Dining kitchen
- Double bedroom
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Off road parking
- Garden to front
- Sorry no pets, DSS or smokers
- EPC rating: C (71)

£450 pcm

4 SCHOOL PLACE, TEDDESLEY PARK ESTATE, PENKRIDGE

UNDER APPLICATION

WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOM SINGLE STOREY BARN CONVERSION
Situted On The Picturesque Rural Estate Of Teddesley Park

- Fitted dining kitchen
- Inner hall
- Lounge
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Oil fired central heating
- Landscaped communal grounds
- Sorry no pets, DSS or smokers
- EPC rating: C (69)

£625 pcm (plus Service Charge)

4 RICKYARD PLACE, TEDDESLEY PARK ESTATE, PENKRIDGE

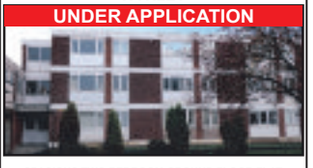
TWO BEDROOM BARN CONVERSION
Located On The Picturesque Country Estate of Teddesley Park

- Open plan lounge/kitchen
- Landing
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Oil fired central heating
- Enclosed foregarden
- Communal grounds & parking
- Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS allowed
- EPC rating B (82)

£595pcm

39 TOWER VIEW ROAD, GREAT WYRLEY

UNDER APPLICATION



SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR FLAT

- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Shower room
- Fully double glazed
- Electric heating
- Communal grounds and parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: D (63)

£475 pcm

12 SAM BARBER COURT, HEATH HAYES

IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR FLAT
Located In Popular Residential Area

- Entrance lobby
- Lounge
- Refitted kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Economy 7 electric heating
- Fully double glazed
- Communal grounds & allocated parking
- Sorry no pets, DSS or smokers
- EPC rating D (68)

£465pcm

1 SPINDLEWOOD CLOSE, HEATH HAYES

TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Sought After Residential Area

- Lounge
- Dining room
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Off road parking
- Gardens
- Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS
- EPC rating: D (63)

£600pcm

3 CORNWALL ROAD, HEDNESFORD

UNDER APPLICATION

WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED DETACHED BUNGALOW
Located In Popular Residential Area Of The Town Covenient For Facilities At The Town Centre

- Recessed porch area & Reception hall
- Lounge with kitchen area
- Two double bedrooms
- Wet room shower room
- UPVC double glazed conservatory
- Carport
- Easy to maintain gardens
- Gas fired central heating & fully double glazed
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating D (60)

£650pcm

200A BLOXWICH ROAD, WALSALL

UNDER APPLICATION

SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR FLAT

- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazed
- Off road parking
- Sorry no pets, DSS or smokers
- EPC rating: D (67)

£450 pcm

APARTMENT 15 BEECH TREE COURT, BEECH TREE LANE, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED FIRST FLOOR APARTMENT
Located In Popular Residential Area Convenient For Facilities At The Town Centre

- Reception hall
- Open plan lounge/kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Security phone system
- Allocated parking space
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating:B (81)

£495 pcm

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£105,000

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£99,950

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£117,500

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£99,995

ST MICHAELS ROAD
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ARCH STREET, RUGELEY

A good sized three bedroomed mid terraced property within walking distance to Town Centre and local amenities and is being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room and Kitchen. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Shared Courtyard Garden. EPC Rating - E

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RUGELEY

A three bedroomed end terraced house, full details to follow.

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RUGELEY

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ETCHINGHILL

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BRERETON

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DEPOSIT £637

£460 pcm

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£165,000

WOLSELEY ROAD RUGELEY

Modern apartment benefiting from security entrance system, Electric Heating and Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, open plan Lounge/Kitchen with some appliances. Two Bedrooms and Bathroom with En-suite to Master Bedroom. Allocated Parking. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS.
DEPOSIT £740

£535 pcm

COULTHWAITE WAY RUGELEY

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DEPOSIT £796

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£85,000

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DEPOSIT £1107

£800 pcm

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£545 pcm

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DEPOSIT £760

£550 pcm

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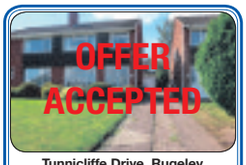

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2009 59 **C2 VTR 1.4 HDI DIESEL** 3-Dr air con RFL=£30 for the year with six service stamps only 53296 miles £3,499
2007 07 **C2 1.1 AIRPLAY** + 3-Dr in Pastel Yellow rare colour rear spoiler low insurance only 73013 miles £2,499
2005 55 **C2 1.1 DESIGN** 3-Dr low insurance great value first car needs viewing low miles for year £1,999
2009 59 **C4 VTR 1.4** 5-Dr air con low insurance great mpg low RFL look only 44930 miles £3,499
2010 60 **DS3 1.6 VTI 120 BLACK Hatchback** 3-Dr Petrol Manual Black 17" alloys air con with 27077 mileage £6,999
2005 05 **XSARA PICASSO DESIRE 2.0 HDI DIESEL** 5-Dr air con great value look only 74000 miles £2,999
2010 10 **GRAND PICASSO C4 1.6 HDI DIESEL 110 EXCLUSIVE EGS AUTO** 5-Dr 7 SEATS alloy wheels air con parking 61220 miles £5,999

FIAT

2013 13 **500 1.2 STREET** 3-Dr in White, half leather seats black alloys air con RFL=£30 only 24109 miles £6,499
2007 57 **BRAVO ACTIVE 1.9 M-JET 120 DIESEL** 5-Dr air con great value family diesel hatch look only 50500 miles low tax £3,499
2006 06 **PANDA DYNAMIC SPORTING 1.3 MULTIJET DIESEL** 5-Dr alloy wheels air con rare spec with side skirts great MPG £2,999
2012 62 **PUNTO 1.4 GBT** 3-Dr in White alloys air con look only 27569 miles with history need viewing stunner £5,999

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2010 60 **FIESTA 1.4 TITANIUM** 5-Dr alloys air con privacy glass cheap tax =£130 for year look only 32332 miles with history £6,499
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2012 12 **FOCUS 2.0 TDCI DIESEL TITANIUM X** 5-Dr Half leather trim 18" alloys parking sensors only 98528 miles with history £7,999
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2010 10 **CIVIC 1.8 I-VTEC SE** 5-Dr Panoramic roof 17" alloys air con look only 68825 miles with Full dealer history in Black £5,999
2005 55 **CR-V VTEC 2.0 SPORT** 5-Dr alloys air con excellent condition only 74120 miles with FSH £4,999

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2011 11 **i30 1.4 COMFORT** 5-Dr alloy wheels air con excellent condition great value & full history £3,999
2010 10 **iX35 2.0 CRDI DIESEL PREMIUM 2WD** 5-Dr LEATHER TRIM, Glass Pan roof 18" alloys air con history £8,999

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2008 08 **XF PREMIUM LUXURY 2.7TDV6 DIESEL AUTOMATIC** 5-Dr SATNAV leather alloys 7 service stamps luxury motoring £9,999

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2010 60 **VENGA 2 ECODYNAMICS 1.4 CRDI DIESEL** 5-Dr alloy wheels air con parking sensors 48746 miles with history RFL=£30 ..... £4,999

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2012 12 **QASHQAI N-TEC +2 1.5DCI DIESEL** 7 SEATS 5-Dr SATNAV 18" alloys air con Panoramic roof FSH & RFL ONLY £130 ..... £9,999
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2007 07 **CLIO 1.2 CAMPAS** 3-Dr alloy wheels MOT TILL 06/09/2017 ideal first car low insurance £1,999
2011 11 **MEGANE 1.5 DCI 110 DIESEL DYNAMIQUE TOM TOM** 3-Dr COUPE SATNAV alloys air con great MPG RFL=£30 for year £4,999
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2006 06 **SCENIC 1.6 DYNAMIQUE** 5-Dr alloy wheels air con electric sports blue great value & MPG £2,999
2009 09 **KOLEOS 2.0 DCI DIESEL 150 4WD DYNAMIQUE S** 5-Dr alloy wheel air con great spec rare 4x4 need viewing with history £4,999

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Stunner has hint of macho

By Ian Donaldson

TOYOTA C-HR, FROM £20,995

REALLY big car companies, like Toyota go through two distinct phases, one where the accountants rule the roost and the cars are dull, if reliable and well built.

Then, several years down the line, someone near the top of the firm decides that dull won't do any more and future Toyotas need to be bravely bold; even a little challenging.

Seen the latest Prius petrol/electric hybrid from the back?

That is one challenging car in the looks department, appearing oddly stretched and with front and rear seemingly from different drawing boards.

Well, the latest Toyota has a lot of the Prius in it – but sufficiently hidden (engines, suspension for instance) that you would never know the new C-HR (for Coupe High-Rider, would you believe) came from the same company.

Styling is a personal thing, but to these eyes the C-HR looks a stunner, bold enough to have driven straight from a motor show stand as a "we'll never build it car" that is now actually popping off the production line in Turkey.

It is a car made very much for today's buyers, which means it's a crossover, gently mixing 4x4 looks and built a bit higher than a hatch and infused with a bit of machismo, thanks to lines that look as though they were carved from a block of clay by someone with advanced sword skills.

The handles for the rear doors are hidden up near the roofline, lending a coupe-lite look.

Things settle down a bit inside, where the dash is dominated by an iPad-sized screen and it's obvious a great deal of attention has been paid to the choice of materials and finishes.

The C-HR range starts at £20,995 for an Icon grade C-HR with 1.2 litre petrol engine, manual gearbox and front wheel drive. That package gives you dual zone automatic air conditioning, 17-inch alloy wheels, a touchscreen and auto wipers and self-dipping rear view mirror.

Not many peoplewill buy it, heading instead for a hybrid version (from £23,595) and the promise of extended fuel economy from its mix of 1.8 litre petrol engine and helping battery stowed neatly under the rear seats.

There is also an automatic model of the 1.2 petrol C-HR, from £22,195 and even an all-wheel drive version of the 1.2 with auto gears, from £26,495.

Biggest seller by far is expected to be the hybrid, perhaps taking three-quarters of orders. Private buyers will take a comfortable majority of C-HR sales, paying from £229 a month for the privilege, with a £5,400 deposit.

Tried on a variety of Spanish roads the hybrid version got along well, especially once you stopped pressing hard on the accelerator, which sends the revs rising while the car catches up. It's a feature of all CVT transmissions that can make the car sound too busy.

Bold enough to have been driven straight from a motor show

Journey's end showed 46mpg, a long way from the official figure but not unimpressive for a petrol powered car with useful electric assist. There are no plans for a diesel.

Taking to a manual gearbox non-hybrid 1.2 litre version worsened the fuel consumption to 40mpg, but you might think it a price worth paging for a car that felt lighter on its feet, more responsive and without the potential drone from the hybrid's transmission.

Every C-HR has brakes that apply themselves if a collision is sensed, automatic dipping headlamps, traffic sign recognition (a camera sees the speed limit and pops in on the dash) and lane departure warning if you cross a road line without signalling. It can be switched off, if you prefer to make your own signalling decisions.

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Please note that Reception will be closed Monday 26, Tuesday 27, Thursday 29 and Monday, January 2.

BOTTOMER
Brian Howard

Sadly passed away on Tuesday, December 6, 2016, aged 82 years.

Brain was much loved and will be missed dearly by all of his Family and Friends.

His Funeral Service will take place on Friday, December 16, 2016 at St Peters Church, Hednesford at 2pm, followed by a Committal Service at Stafford Crematorium.

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(Iris)

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She will be very sadly missed by Daughter Marilyn, Alan and all Family and Friends.

Funeral Service to take place, 4pm on Monday, December 19, 2016 at Stafford Crematorium.

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Michael

Of Lichfield.

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Passed away in hospital on December 1, 2016, aged 70 years.

Michael will be deeply missed by all his Family and Friends.

Requiem Mass will be held at St Josephs R/C Church Burntwood, on Friday, December 16, 2016, at 1pm, followed by Committal at Lichfield Crematorium.

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The Funeral Service is to be held on Monday, December 19, at 1.45pm, at Bushbury Crematorium, East Chapel.

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Vera

Much loved, Wife, Mom, Nan and Great-Nan.

Sadly passed away on November 29, 2016, aged 86 years.

Funeral Service to take place at St Luke's Church, on Tuesday, December 20, at 2pm, followed by Cremation at 3pm at Stafford Crematorium.

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X X X X

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Vera
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In our hearts you always stay loved and remembered every day.

Love, Maureen and Tony.

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FINCH

Patricia Ann

Sadly passed away on Wednesday, December 7, 2016, aged 81 years.

Beloved Wife of Robert, dearest Mom of Vaughan and Kevin and much loved Granny of Sam and Hannah.

A retired Teacher, formerly of Sherbrook and Cannock Chase High Schools, Pat spent the last few years of her life in Cheshire to be close to her Family.

The Funeral Service is to be held on Monday, December 19, at 11.15am, at Stafford Crematorium.

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GRAINGER

Maureen Ann

nee Hodgkiss

Of Cheslyn Hay.

Sadly passed away on December 1, 2016, aged 75 years.

The Service will be held on Monday, December 19, Salem Methodist, 10.30am, followed by Interment at Cheslyn Hay Cemetery.

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(Mena)

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Her Memorial Service will be held on Friday, December 16 at 1.30pm, Fradley Crematorium continuing at The Chadwick Arms, Hill Ridware where we can share memories.

All are welcome.

No flowers please, Mena had horrendous hayfever.

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Mum, Nouska, Taz, Jim, Rad, Loch and Jesse.

JACKSON

Mary

Formerly of Cannock, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, December 6, 2016, aged 80 years.

Loving Mother to Stuart and Sarah, Grandmother to Annabel and Laura.

Funeral Service will take place in St Michael's Church, Beer on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 2pm.

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JAREMCZUK

Jozef

Of Hednesford.

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For date and time please contact

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KARASINSKA

Ann Beryl

Passed away peacefully on Monday, December 5, 2016, aged 83 years.

A special lady who is very much loved and sadly missed by all her Family and Friends.

The Funeral Service is to be held on Monday, December 19, at 1.30pm at St. Mary's RC Church, Cannock, followed by Committal at Stafford Crematorium.

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MASON

Ruth Ann

Passed away peacefully on Thursday, December 1, 2016, aged 83 years.

Ruth was much loved and will be missed dearly by all of her Family and Friends.

The Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at Stafford Crematorium at 3.30pm.

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Donations will be appreciated for the Dementia Society.

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McLOUGHLIN

Sean

Of Hednesford.

Died tragically on December 5, 2016 aged 50 years.

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(Ann)

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Jack

Of Hednesford.

Passed away peacefully in hospital on December 10, 2016, aged 93 years.

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RUSSELL

Terence John

Passed away peacefully on December 5, 2016, aged 87 years.

Much loved and will be sadly missed by Wife June, Family and Friends.

Funeral Service to take place on Tuesday, December 20, at Bushbury Crematorium, East Chapel, at 2.30pm.

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SKITT

Baden

(Bill)

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Of Cannock.

Passed away peacefully at Water's Edge Nursing Home on December 10, 2016, aged 88 years.

The Funeral Service is to be held on Thursday, December 22, at 1.15pm, at St Luke's Church, Cannock, followed by Burial at Stile Cop Cemetery.

Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, can be made for St Luke's Church.

All inquiries c/o

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in memoriam

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Audrey

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Trev.

X X X

Mom

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Love you always my LFM.

NIXON

Jay

16.12.2014

Gone two years.

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Mom, Dad and Friends.

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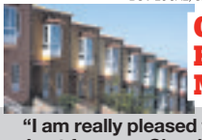

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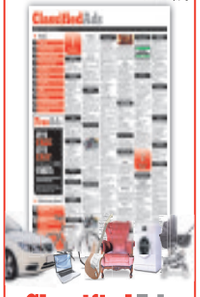

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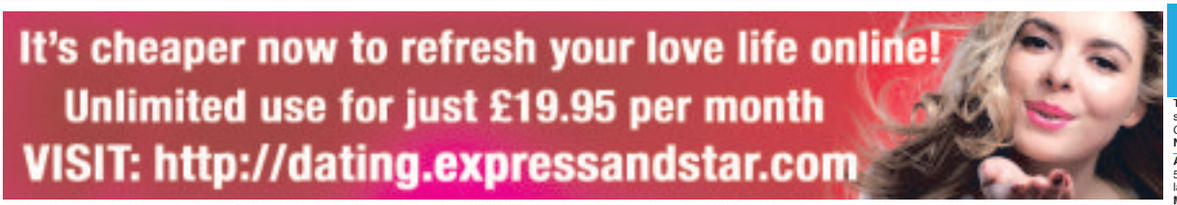

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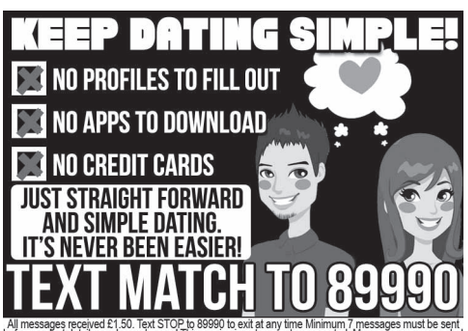

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Cannock's Graham Machin, Clubman of the Year, receives his award from league president John Priest

Umpire of the Year Trevor Cotton collects his award from John Priest at the Banks's Stadium

Junior Performance winner Chris Becker with John Priest

Milford haul bowls over Staffs Clubs cricket rivals

MILFORD HALL walked off with an impressive haul of silverware at the Staffs Clubs' awards night.

The league brought the curtain down on another successful summer at Walsall Football Club's Banks's Stadium with former England, Leicestershire and Kent wicketkeeper Paul Nixon the guest of honour, entertaining the 100-plus audience with tales from his 23-year playing career.

League secretary Kevin Herbert said: "Paul was very good. He spoke for about 40 minutes about his playing days and then did a lengthy question and answer session with the audience.

"He signed a load of books throughout the evening and never refused a photograph or an autograph. He was very amenable.

"It was a very good and enjoyable evening and a great way to end a successful season."

Milford had most to celebrate after a fine summer that saw them clinch promotion to the Birmingham League after winning the Premier Division title.

Crowned

They also doubled up by lifting the first team Knockout Cup while the second team were crowned Premier A champions. For good measure talented youngster Chris Becker picked up the Junior Performance of the Year award.

Among the other accolades that were dished out, Cannock stalwart Graham Machin was a worthy winner of the Clubman of the Year award while Trevor Cotton was Umpire of the Year.

The night capped an impressive season for the league that saw the introduction of a new playing format in the top three divisions with 11 games played under the old system that included the possibility of a draw and 11 played on a straight win or lose basis with restrictions on the number of overs a player could bowl.

SPORTING FEATURE

By Nick Elwell

"It was a very good and enjoyable evening and a great way to end a successful season."

"The switch in playing format was well received by the clubs," said Herbert. "It was obviously new to the captains and teams but the feedback we have received has been very good.

"You obviously need a minimum of five bowlers in the win or lose format. And I think you end up with the strongest team coming out on top as opposed to the team with the strongest overseas player.

"The plan was for the format to run for two years and it will be reviewed over the winter.

"We are slightly concerned at the number of conceded games, especially in the lower divisions, but all in all it was a successful season.

"I think Milford were worthy winners in the end and as a league we wish them all the best for next season in the Birmingham League," added Herbert

Springvale and Rugeley will be playing top flight cricket next season after gaining promotion from Division One with just one side, Bloxwich, relegated due to the fact no Staffordshire sides came down from Division Three of the Birmingham League. Elford are joining the league next season while Springvale are entering a third team and Wightwick will a fourth.

Staffs Clubs roll of honour:

Premier Division: Winners Milford Hall; runners-up Beacon.

Premier A: Winners Milford Hall; runners-up Aldridge.

Division 1: Winners Springvale; runners-up Rugeley.

Division 2: Winners HGBU; runners-up Old Wulfs.

Division 3: Winners Wolverhampton; runners-up Burntwood St Matthews.

Division 4: Winners Wombourne; runners-up Rushall.

Division 5: Winners Wightwick & Finchfield; runners-up Beacon.

Batting - Premier Division: Brian Barnard (Cannock) 1044 runs. Premier A: Shafqat Hussain (Aldridge) 671. Division 1: Stuart Jones (Coseley) 849. Division 2: Mohammed Ajmal (HGBU) 734. Division 3: Hassan Touqeer (Wolv) 758. Division 4: Tim Davis (Milord Hall) 588. Division 5: Michael Jones (W+F) 519.

Bowling - Premier Division: Ejaz Nawaz (Milford Hall) 51 wickets. Premier A: Matthew Richards (Penn) 32. Division 1: Mohammed Sultan (Rugeley) 57. Division 2: Ben Hallam (OWT) 51. Division 3: Joey Brew (Wolv) 42. Division 4: Ryan Dewsbury (Wightwick & Finchfield) 46. Division 5: Neil Walker (Beacon) 40.

Clubman of the Year: Graham Machin (Cannock CC).

Performance of the Year: Muhammad Sultan (Rugeley).

Junior Performance of the Year: Chris Becker (Milford Hall).

Umpire of the Year: Trevor Cotton.

Knockout Cup - First team: Winners Milford Hall; runners-up Cannock.

Second team: Pelsall; runners-up Penn.

Third team: Wednesbury; runners-up Burntwood St Matthews.

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Sport

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Boxer puts in the Myles for England

RUGELEY boxer Myles Basford is growing in confidence from that winning feeling debuting for his country on the England Talent programme.

England Boxing selectors had already ran the rule over Basford on two separate assessment days and defeated his Scottish counterpart Harry Peacock at 56kg after being called up to box in a home international contest.

The 15-year-old, who represents Rugeley Police at club level, had his hand raised in front of proud dad Kenny at Blackpool's Norbeck Castle Hotel.

The dangerous Peacock charged forward from the opening bell but Basford remained calm, operated off the southpaw jab and kept his opponent at range.

Officials chose Basford as the victor on a points split decision after three two-minute rounds.

Basford said: "I really enjoyed the experience, I got to keep my England kit and they gave me a plaque to take home with me. I never expect anything. I thought I'd done well at the assessments but it was a still bit unexpected to get picked. To train full-time, even if was just for two days, was great.

"I felt like it was bringing me on and that's how I'll be working back in the gym at Rugeley from now on. I learned a lot."

Basford, who first laced on a glove at the age of five, steps up to the junior ranks next year with the England Junior Championships his main national competition.

He twice claimed area titles as a schoolboy, building up a record of 19 wins from 27 unpaid bouts, with two successes by TKO.

Kenny, an official with the British Boxing Board of Control and coach at Rugeley, works his corner for all of his club contests.

Scholars' run of away clean sheets comes to an end

Carlton Town 3 Chasetown 1

A TREBLE from Carlton Town's Aaron Hooton ended Chasetown's run of three consecutive away clean sheets in all competitions.

The Scholars were a whisker away in the opening minutes of this Evo-Stik League First Division South encounter as Jack Steggles's fingers tipped away a Mitch Piggon effort at his near post

But the home side took control and gained the lead just after the half-hour mark.

Goalkeeper Curtis Pond conceded a spot-kick trying to clear the ball, and Hooton sent Pond the wrong way from 12 yards.

Two minutes before the break, Carlton increased their lead.

Daniel Gordon produced a strong run into the box and Hooton had a tap-in from close range.

Hooton completed his hat-trick at the start of the second half with a drive from the edge of the box.

Jack Langston reduced the deficit in stoppage time with a powerful free-kick into the top corner.

Twins revving up for positive future

Kurt, left, and Matt Wigley

RACING twins the Wigleys will go into the new season in positive moods after endured plenty of ups and downs this year.

Matt and Kurt, from Hednesford, troubled the British Superstock 600 front-runners on numerous occasions but were also forced to deal with several big crashes.

The 20-year-olds showed they were more than capable of mixing it with the best after entering one of the toughest British Superbike support series going, with Kurt even getting on the podium twice. Matt's season almost came to an abrupt end when he broke his arm, but after battling back to fitness he managed to bring his Sorrymate.com Yamaha home in fifth place during the second Donington Park meeting. He finished 20th in the series.

Kurt admits, despite the problems, he enjoyed one of his best seasons for many years. "I have had two podium finishes, a pole position, fastest lap of the race at Brands and managed to be a regular top five finisher," he said.

"My best result last year was 16th, which shows the steps forward the team has made and it is great to see all the hard work paying off.

"We aim to get new bikes as a fresh start for next year, so I will be selling my race bike from this season."

The duo will continue to train throughout the winter.

Matt, who has already sold his Yamaha, also plans to come back stronger than ever. "I am currently striving to get some desperately needed track time before the opening round so that I can come back on pace," he said.

SPOT-ON WITH ANOTHER WIN

Hednesford Town 1 Warrington Town 0

A PENALTY from Ashley Sammons three minutes before half-time ensured Hednesford Town made it back-to-back league victories in December.

It was the home side who started the better, and new Hednesford striker Spencer Weir-Daley saw a snapshot go wide in the sixth minute before Tony Clarke fired over from 12 yards following a knockdown by his strike partner.

Back came the visitors though, and they were close to taking the lead in the 11th minute as Samuel Iselamni saw his header strike the bar from six yards out with the Hednesford defence scrambling the ball away. The lively Iselamni then watched an effort from the edge of the box land on the roof of the net as Warrington started to take a hold of the game.

Tackle

In the 35th minute, Iselamni was in the action again as he turned away from two tackles before firing over the bar, while a minute later Hednesford goalkeeper Dan Crane made a great low save after a deflected effort from Rory McKeown.

After 39 minutes, Iselamni broke clear from the Pitmen backline, only to be denied thanks to a last-ditch tackle by Calum Flanagan.

Three minutes later, Hednesford went ahead from the penalty spot. David McDermott was adjudged to have been fouled, and Sammons fired the ball down the middle. Warrington goalkeeper Anthony McMillan got a leg to it but couldn't stop it finding the roof of the net.

Things went from bad to worse for the visitors as they were reduced to 10 men on the stroke of half-time as Mitchell Duggan was shown a straight red for a two-footed challenge on Clarke.

Just after the hour mark, Gavin Caines headed over the bar from a Pitmen corner. The home side were lucky to escape in the 64th minute when Gerald Kinsella saw his effort hit the post.

Although the visitors pressed deep into stoppage time, the penalty proved enough.

Hednesford: Crane, Rowley, Flanagan, Thorley, Brenan, Caines, Shledon, Sammons, Clarke (McNaught 71), Weir-Daley (Leek 87), McDermott (Matthews 60). Subs not used: Mutton, Shearer.
Attendance: 351.

On the ball for pitch unveiling

The pitch is unveiled by Councillor Salter, his lady and Dragons and Phoenix players

THE chairman of Lichfield District Council was joined by players from the Burntwood Dragons and Phoenix FC to formally launch Burntwood's synthetic football pitch.

Players from the two clubs have been testing out the new third generation synthetic pitch surface, after the old one was replaced towards the end of November.

Work included removing the carpet and shock pad, repairing the base tarmac and surrounds, and installing the new 3G synthetic surface.

Councillor David Salter said: "It was a pleasure to formally open this new and improved facility, and it's fantastic that we are able to offer such a high quality pitch to Burntwood footballers."

Burntwood's new pitch is as close as you can get to playing on real grass. And, as the springy surface absorbs impact and won't get waterlogged, it means it can be used all year round.

To celebrate the launch of the state-of-the-art pitch, and to introduce it to even more players, Burntwood Leisure Centre is running an opening offer. For £15 an hour, players can book a third of the pitch at off peak times throughout the month of December.

The 3G pitch can be booked in person at Burntwood Leisure Centre's reception or by calling 01543 308810.

Two late tries seal bonus point victory

Telford Hornets 17 Burntwood 33
Midlands 3 West North

BURNTWOOD moved clear in second place in the table after this bonus point win at Telford, and Cleobury Mortimer's loss at Handsworth.

At one point, Sean Latham's side led 18-3 but it needed two late tries to seal their sixth league win on the trot.

In contrast to the murky weather, which deteriorated the longer the game went on, the visitors made a bright start.

There was no stopping Luke Rookyard who went over in the corner to put his side ahead on three minutes.

The Telford backs then had a pass intercepted on halfway by Neil Holden who sped to the line for a gift try.

Telford began conceding regular penalties. Sam Lloyd sent a great kick to the left corner from one award on 17 minutes. A rolling maul from the line-out possession was finished off by skipper Latham for Burntwood's third try.

The hosts earned a penalty goal for their first points but it was cancelled out by one from Lloyd. The penalty count now mounted against Burntwood. A kick at goal was wide of the target after 26 minutes. Another was kicked to the corner which cost Sean Brennan 10 minutes in the sin bin. Telford mauled their way over for a converted try for 18-10.

Telford lost a player to a yellow card. The penalty award was kicked to the corner but the lineout wasn't taken and the score remained 18-10 at the turnaround.

Burntwood extended their lead with a bonus point try, Adam Black following up. On 65 minutes the hosts controlled a five-metre scrum to drive over for a try which was converted to make it 23-17.

With six minutes left, Brett Taylor ducked and dived his way over and added another right on the final whistle.

Burntwood 2nds lost their merit table game at home to Tamworth 2nds 20-7.

United frustrated as points dropped

Stone Old Alleynians 1 Cannock Utd 1

CANNOCK took too long to find their rhythm as Stone gained confidence.

Grant McCarty deserved to put Cannock ahead on 38 minutes, only to be denied by a quality save.

The second half was one-way traffic, but niggled with frustration for United as Stone stayed dogged. Eventually, a moment of magic from Grant McCarty put Cannock ahead on 51 minutes.

Unfortunately a simple error by Chris Murdoch saw Stone gifted a penalty on 71 minutes which M Meszaros dispatched to level. United are away to Whittington on Saturday, kick-off 2pm.

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